

# The Ellsworth American.

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## Advertisements.

### THE BURRILL NATIONAL BANK,

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December 1, 1907.

## LOCAL AFFAIRS.

### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS THIS WEEK.

In bankruptcy—Est Stephen C. Casey. Bankrupt notice—Est Thomas Sheehan. Non-resident tax notice—Lamoine. Hancock. Brooklin. Winter Harbor. Staples Piano & Music Co. Burrill Nat'l Bank. Ellsworth, Me. Hancock Co. Agr'l Society—Annual meeting.

SCHEDULE OF MAILS AT ELLSWORTH POST-OFFICE. In effect Oct. 7, 1907.

MAILS RECEIVED. FROM WEST—7:14 a.m., 4:30 and 6:00 p.m. FROM EAST—11:07 a.m., 12:05, 5:55 and 10:52 p.m. MAIL CLOSING AT POST-OFFICE. GOING EAST—6:30 a.m., 4 and 5:30 p.m. GOING WEST—11:45, 11:30 a.m., 5:30 and 9 p.m. No Sunday mail.

Dr. J. H. Patten, of Amherst, is in Ellsworth to-day.

Howard and Martin Adams are at home for Christmas.

Fred W. Joy is at home from New York for Christmas.

C. A. Hanscom and wife, of Baltimore, are here for the holidays.

Herbert R. Holmes is at home from Rumford Falls for the holidays.

Mrs. Lizzie Goulden, of Bar Harbor, is the guest of Mrs. George P. Butler.

Miss Florence Smith is at home from New York for the Christmas recess.

Mrs. Charles P. Libby, of Limestone, is the guest of H. L. Crabtree and wife.

George Parcher is at home from Harvard medical school for the holidays.

George W. Higgins, purser on the steamer J. T. Morse, is at home for the winter.

J. M. Parker, of Medway, Mass., was the guest last week of his brother, Walter R. Parker.

O. W. Tapley who has been confined to his home the past week by the grip, is out again to-day.

There will be a dance at Hancock hall Friday evening, Jan. 17. Monaghan will furnish music.

George Porter Paine, professor of mathematics in Ripon (Wis.) college, is at home for the holidays.

Irene chapter, O. E. S., will have a special meeting Friday evening. Important business will be considered.

Prof. Harry C. Emery, of Yale, is spending the holidays with his parents, Chief Justice L. A. Emery and wife.

Master Charles Haynes is spending the holidays in Boston with the Gleasons, summer residents of Shady Nook.

H. E. Davis and wife left Monday for Waban, Mass., to spend Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. J. A. Bryant.

The woman's auxiliary of the Congregational church will meet with Mrs. S. A. Goodwin next Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 31, at 2:30.

Shirley Norris, wife and infant son, of Bar Harbor, are here to spend Christmas with Mrs. Norris' parents, G. F. Newman and wife.

The Klark-Urban company delighted a crowded house at Hancock hall Monday evening with the comedy "A Girl from Mexico."

The arrival at Port au Prince on Dec. 8, of the schooner Harry W. Haynes, Capt. S. J. Goodwin, eight days from Wilmington, N. C., is reported.

The annual meeting of the Baptist society will take place next Monday evening. All members of the society and others interested are invited to attend.

Rev. S. W. Sutton closed his pastorate at the Unitarian church last Sunday. No arrangement has been made for a new pastor, and the church will for the present be closed.

To-morrow being a legal holiday, the banks will be closed all day. The post-office will be open until 9 a.m., and then be closed until after the distribution of the evening mail, and will then remain open until 8 o'clock.

The Sunday schools of the Methodist and Baptist churches will have their Christmas entertainments and trees this (Tuesday) evening. The Congregational Sunday school will have its Christmas entertainment Christmas night.

Wivurns encampment, I. O. O. F., on Monday evening elected officers as follows: William E. Joy, chief patriarch; Harold S. Higgins, high priest; John A. Moore, S. W.; William A. Alexander, J. W.; F. L. Mason, scribe; H. F. Westcott, treasurer.

There will be a recess meeting of the city government Thursday evening, when the petition for the laying out of the new section of the Shore road as a winter road will be acted upon. The petition for Sunday closing of stores may be acted upon at the same meeting.

Mrs. E. G. Nash, who is in charge of the Western Union telegraph office, returned Monday from a vacation of two weeks. H. E. Duffee, who has been at home from Boston on a vacation, has been substituting for her. He will return to Boston after the holidays.

Goodwill - Sunrise corporation has elected the following officers: President, Charles M. Brooks; vice-president, Freeman S. Whelden; secretary, John A. Lord; treasurer, Charles E. Pio; trustee, Edmund G. Hopkins; legal committee, E. A. Leonard, C. E. Pio, Mrs. E. W. Allen.

The date for the dancing and card party to be given at Odd Fellows' hall under the auspices of the woman's alliance of the Unitarian church, has been moved forward to New Year's eve, next

Tuesday evening. Miss Safford, the reader, who was expected to be present, is unable to come on account of the critical illness of her mother.

Among those who are home for Christmas are Misses Sophie Walker, from Boston; Harriet Rollins, from Shelton, Conn.; Bernice Giles, from Boston; Grace C. King, from Chester, Mass.; George C. Foster, from Wellesley; Margaret Dresser, from Boston; Helene Bellamy, from Waterville; Paulene Foster, from Concord, Mass.; Ralph M. Holmes, from Orono.

George Brown, the crazy sailor, continues to haunt the Bangor police, who are still laboring under the delusion that he escaped from an Ellsworth officer while on his way to the asylum at Bangor. The Bangor News Friday said Brown applied to the Bangor police for shelter, and was being held for the Ellsworth authorities. On Brown's first visit to Ellsworth, over a week ago, his peculiar actions placed him under suspicion, and City Marshal Finn saw him safely aboard a train bound for Bangor, presumably on his way to his home in Rockland. This is the only foundation for his escape from the Ellsworth police. Brown was back in Ellsworth again Saturday, but did not remain long.

Frederick E. Sargent, vice-president and treasurer of the Jeweler's national bank of North Attleboro, Mass., who was found dead in the bath tub at his home Tuesday night of last week, married, three years ago, Miss Marion Morgan, daughter of E. E. Morgan, of Auburn, and well known in Ellsworth. The death of Mr. Sargent was under circumstances which suggest suicide. It followed the visit of the bank examiner, who began work on the bank's books the day before. The bank has been placed in the hands of a receiver. A statement issued by the directors is to the effect that "as a result of further investigations into the affairs of this institution, they (the directors) were convinced that as a result of the personal transactions of the late cashier, the bank is insolvent, the complications are many and far reaching, and in justice to all, the only proper course is to ask for the appointment of a receiver."

The shortage is estimated at \$250,000. Rev. Ralph E. Conner, officiating at the funeral, said: Every person in the town knew and loved Mr. Sargent, and his memory will always be revered, even though there might have been happenings that would throw a shadow over his life. The people of the town are a unit in showing their sympathy to the members of Mr. Sargent's family in their time of trouble."

Rebekah Entertainment. The sewing circle of Nokomis Rebekah lodge gave a delightful entertainment at Odd Fellows hall last Wednesday evening. "The Spirit of '76, or the Coming Woman," was presented under the management of Fred E. Cooke. The parts were all taken by local talent, and the play was one of the best ever given in the hall.

The parts were taken by Mrs. L. F. Giles, Miss Helen E. Bonney, Miss Annie L. Gray, Miss Julia C. Cushman, Fred H. Osmond and Milton Beckwith.

Miss Ida L. Higgins played a violin solo, accompanied by Miss Mary F. Hopkins between the first and second acts, and there was a song by Sammie Povich between the second and third acts. During the evening there was a sale of fancy articles and home-made candy. A dance followed the entertainment with music by Monaghan's orchestra.

The affair was largely attended, and the proceeds amounted to \$98. Much credit is due Mrs. F. A. Orcutt, president, and Mrs. G. H. Gould, vice-president, pro tem, and the circle committee.

E. W. Lord's New Office. E. W. Lord, for the past five and a half years assistant commissioner of education of Porto Rico, has accepted a position as New England director of the national child-labor committee. Mr. Lord will have an office in Boston, from which point he will conduct the campaign for effective child-labor laws throughout New England. He enters upon his new work January 1, 1908. Of his work in Porto Rico, the Porto Rico Review says:

The retirement of Mr. Lord from the department of education will be regretted by every friend of education in the island. He had become so thoroughly identified with our educational institutions as to be regarded as inseparable from them. From the very beginning he has been an indefatigable worker, and what is more to the point, a most successful one. Why he resigns we do not know; but this we do know: that education in Porto Rico has not suffered any such set-back since the educational era, in the sense of free schools, dawned for our people. We have heard that Mr. Lord will renew his labors in Boston, and that he has a very attractive position in that city. However this may be, the Review wishes him well.

MOUTH OF THE RIVER. Mrs. Stella Ray Wiggins is quite ill. Percy Garland, who has been employed in Massachusetts the last three years, is at home on a vacation.

Margaret Matthews, who has been employed at Bar Harbor for some months past, is at home for the winter.

Misses Jessie Fullerton and Vina Ray, of Bartlett's Island, who have been visiting friends here and in Brewer, are home.

Mrs. Lydia J. Milliken, who has been spending the past two weeks at Bar Harbor with Mrs. Lionel Stewart, is home.

WEST ELLSWORTH. There will be a school Christmas tree at the grange hall on Christmas night. Miss Lura P. Carter is the teacher.

Mrs. Emery Bonzey went to the hospital in Bangor last week for a surgical operation. She is reported as doing well.

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### ELLSWORTH FALLS.

Mrs. Fred Grace is here from Green Lake visiting relatives for a few days.

Mrs. M. M. Moore, who has been in Boston the past week, is expected home to-day.

Eugene A. Carlisle and wife are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, born last week.

Albert S. Kincaid, of Otis, has been here several days visiting his mother, Mrs. Mary E. Kincaid.

Isaac Watson, brother of Mrs. Eben M. Jellison, from Portland is here for a visit of several weeks.

Mrs. Henry Lord has gone to Portland to spend Christmas with her daughter, Miss Bernice H. Lord.

Miss Leota Hardison, of Waltham, is spending the holidays here with her cousin, Miss Alice Clough.

Frank E. Fernald and wife left Monday for a visit of two weeks with relatives at Portland and Dover, N. H.

Wallace McGown and Mrs. Carrie Lynch were married Sunday evening at 6:30 by Rev. H. W. Conley. They will reside at North Ellsworth for the present.

Rev. J. D. Prigmore and wife invite all the children of the village to the parsonage on Wednesday afternoon, from 3 to 4 o'clock.

The annual Christmas tree and concert by the children of the Sunday school will be held in the vestry Tuesday evening, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. All are very cordially invited.

The children's concert in the church Sunday evening was a success, and was largely attended. The programme, which was well rendered, was as follows: Singing, school; scripture and prayer, Rev. J. D. Prigmore; recitation, Gertrude Flood; exercise, three children; recitation, Mrs. George Austin; singing, Catherine and Burton Conley; reading, Frances Milliken; recitation, Beattie Lake; singing, school; recitation, Alice Lake; solo, Miss Bertha Joy; recitation, Doris Heath; singing, school; recitation, Madeline Fernald; singing, five girls; remarks, Rev. Henry W. Conley; singing, choir; benediction, Rev. J. D. Prigmore.

### GREEN LAKE.

Frank Fitts arrived this week from Boston.

John Merrill is at the home of his son, Irving Merrill.

Mrs. Frank Wilbur and family, of Ellsworth Falls, have moved to Green Lake. Mr. Wilbur is chopping cord wood.

Elmer Grace, brother of Fred Grace at the hatchery, has caught some fine pickerel, many of them at Rocky pond.

Samuel Drinkwater and Bert Foster, of Bangor, spent a day at the lake lately, and caught forty-two pickerel, some weighing two and two and one-half pounds.

The lake is nearly all frozen over. Rockwell Spencer, of the fish hatchery, skated to the head of the lake Sunday. He reported few open places. The boys made a vain attempt at ice boating, but the wind was too light.

Alfred Robinson and Charles Taylor came Saturday to measure the wood. All that is needed now is snow for hauling. The Robinson crew has about 800 cords to haul. Hub Emery and Al Harding, of Bar Harbor, are employed to haul it. C. P. Bennoch is loading two cars this week, and W. F. Chute has loaded three.

### COMING EVENTS.

ELLSWORTH. Tuesday evening, Dec. 31, at Odd Fellows hall—Dancing and card party under auspices of woman's alliance of Unitarian church.

Friday, Jan. 10, at Liberty hall—Fourth annual State convention J. O. U. A. M.

Friday evening, Jan. 17, at Hancock hall—Dance.

Friday, Jan. 17, at Odd Fellows hall—District convention of Odd Fellows.

### MASONIC LODGES UNITE.

Lygonia and Esoteric Consolidate Under Charter of Former.

Lygonia and Esoteric lodges, F. and A. M., at special meetings held separately last week, voted unanimously to consolidate. Esoteric lodge will surrender its charter, and the new lodge will take the charter of Lygonia, No. 40. The consolidated lodge will have a membership of over 500 in good standing.

The matter of arranging the details for consolidation was referred to the committees which have had in hand the preliminary arrangements, consisting of M. Gallert, Henry L. Moor and Capt. J. M. Higgins, from Lygonia, and A. W. King, A. W. Greely and James E. Parsons, from Esoteric. The matter has been reported to the grand lodge, which will now take the necessary action and designate the steps to complete the consolidation, which probably will be done before the annual meeting next month.

Lygonia lodge was chartered on April 11, 1822. Ellsworth proper at that time contained only sixty-seven dwellings, some built of logs, but most of them frame buildings, while in that part of Ellsworth which in 1821 was annexed to Surry, and reannexed to Ellsworth in 1829, there were fifty-one dwellings, one tavern, two stores, and one meeting-house. There was a total of 176 voters in Ellsworth and in the section of Surry now a part of Ellsworth. Mail was received twice weekly by way of Bucksport, being carried from there by Abner Lee, on horseback.

The first meeting of Lygonia lodge for business was held May 14, 1822, in an attic over Major Langdon's store, on the west side of the bridge, near where the steam laundry now stands. This was for several years the masonic hall.

After the so-called "dark age" in masonry—1831 to 1847—Lygonia lodge was reorganized, and has continued to grow and prosper uninterruptedly through the past sixty years.

Esoteric lodge was organized in 1870, and the first regular meeting was held under dispensation on Oct. 7, 1870, and was duly constituted in July of the following year.

The consolidation of these two strong lodges is an important event in masonry in Ellsworth, and the result of long and careful deliberation. Consolidation has been discussed from time to time for several years past, and the fact that at the meetings of both lodges last week the vote to consolidate was unanimous shows that the masonic spirit of unity prevailed in this important step.

### CHURCH NOTES.

#### BAPTIST.

Rev. P. A. Kilham, pastor. Sunday, Dec. 29—Morning service at 10:30. Sunday school at 11:45. Christian Endeavor meeting at 7. Evening service at 7:30.

Bible study and prayer service at 7:30 Friday evening.

Annual meeting of society Monday evening.

#### CONGREGATIONAL.

Rev. R. B. Mathews, pastor. Sunday, Dec. 29—Morning service at 10:30. Sunday school at 11:45. Evening service at 7:30.

Prayer meeting Friday evening at 7:30.

#### METHODIST EPISCOPAL.

Rev. V. F. Hendee, pastor. Sunday, Dec. 29—Morning service at 10:30. Sunday school at 11:45. Junior league at 2:30. Evening service at 7:30.

Prayer meeting Friday evening at 7:30.

UNION CONG'L, ELLSWORTH FALLS.

Rev. J. D. Prigmore, pastor. Sunday, Dec. 29—Morning service at 10:30. Sermon by pastor. Sunday school at 11:45. Evening service at 7.

Prayer meeting Friday evening at 7.

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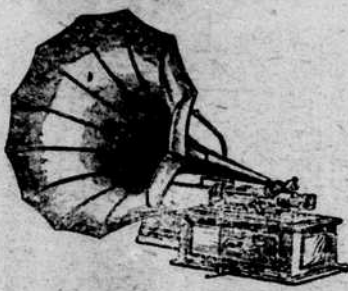
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## CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Prayer Meeting Topic for the Week  
Beginning Dec. 23, 1907.

By REV. S. B. DOYLE.

Topic—Foreign missions. The coming  
triumph of the cross. How may we  
hasten it?—Isa. xl, 1-10.

In this part of the eleventh chapter of his prophecy Isaiah foretells the advent and the character of the Lord Jesus Christ and prophesies the victorious spiritual restoration of Israel under Him and the coming of the gentiles also to His standard which would mean the universal triumph of the cross. Centuries have passed into history since the great prophet spoke, but through all the years there has been an increasing fulfillment of his prediction, and never in the history of the world did the signs of the times indicate their complete fulfillment more than today. The coming triumph of the cross is assured. Those who are interested in hastening it are not engaged in a losing but a winning cause and therefore should be the more zealously consecrated to their work as related to foreign missions. The world may seem steeped in wickedness and in sin, but our God is a great God and in a day may turn the current all the other way and literally fulfill the couplet:

The indications of the coming triumph of the cross and its speedy coming are many and forceful.

Today the noise of battle,  
The next the victor's song.

1. The past triumph of the cross is an indication of its future triumph. When Christ ascended into heaven He left the care of the church in the hands of eleven men and a few other followers. He commanded them to preach the gospel "unto the uttermost parts of the earth." It seemed like an impossible task, and yet within a century the Roman world knew of Christ. In three centuries a Christian emperor ruled in Rome. Since that time Christianity has spread throughout Europe, America and from them to the great gentile nations of the world. It has met with persistent opposition. The blood of martyrs has been the seed of the church. Yet it has ever gone on "conquering and to conquer." Through the past only can we read the future. What has been can be and will be, and still greater things will be, for "God is marching on."

2. The advancement of the world in material conveniences indicates the coming triumph of Christianity. God directs all things, even great modern physical improvements. Missionaries of the cross only a few years ago required great time for traveling, months to cross the ocean, many days of walking from station to station, weeks and months for communications with their co-laborers at home. But how all has changed! Great oceans to carry them across the ocean; swift traveling steam trains to bear them from station to station; telegraphs, telephones, oceanic cables and even the wonderful Marconi system of telegraphy are being used and will be more frequently used in their labors. The world is growing smaller every day, and God's hand is in every advancement for the sooner coming triumph of the cross.

3. Another indication of the coming triumph of the cross is the increasing interest which laymen are taking in its advancement. The burden formerly fell upon the women of the church and even the children, but now the men are being aroused to great interest in the work, as evidenced by the laymen's movement recently formed and the increased gifts of our Christian rich men to the cause of missions.

But all can help in bringing about the future triumph of the cross. Every dollar given to missions, every efficient effortful prayer offered for the world's salvation, every soul saved, hastens by that much the coming of the Lord, when all men shall acknowledge Him to be the King of kings and Lord of lords.

## BIBLE READINGS.

Ps. ii, 1-12; Isa. ii, 1-3; Ex. vi, 7; III, 7; Ixii, 1-12; Lxxviii, Dan. ii, 31-35; Micah vi, 1-3; Matt. xiii, 33; xxviii, 19, 20; Acts i, 8; Rev. vi, 1, 2.

## Value of Pledges in India.

Secretary Halliwell of the Indian Union describes an address in which Sir Andrew Fraser, lieutenant governor of Bengal, highly commended Christian Endeavor, and here is an extract from that very encouraging speech:

"I remember once when on tour coming across a solitary Indian Christian who, I suppose, never saw a Christian missionary or minister from one year's end to another. He was a very small postmaster in an out of the way village."

"I forgot how I came to know that he was a Christian. Perhaps he came to see me, or some one may have told him of the little service we held in our tent. At any rate, I came to know about him and sent for him to have a talk. I found that he knew his Bible well, that every day he and his wife read the word of God together and prayed, and were sometimes joined by one or two of the villagers."

"To such as these, to the Indian Christian scattered abroad in the villages, lonely men or little groups of two or three, the Christian Endeavor pledges are a very great help."

## Complete Mastery by Christ.

What Endeavorers need to long for and also earnestly pray for is the complete mastery of themselves by Christ. The instrument may be a poor, mean one, but if swept by the touch of His kindly hand and enveloped and indwelt every day by His divine presence the possibilities of experience and service will be great indeed.

Just as I am, young, strong and free,  
To be the best that I can be,  
O'er truth and righteousness and Thee,  
Lord of my life, I come.

—Australian Christian Endeavor Link.

## Mutual Benefit Column.

EDITED BY "AUNT MADGE".

Its Motto: "Helpful and Hopeful."

The purpose of this column are succinctly stated in the title and motto—it is for the mutual benefit, and thus to be helpful and hopeful. Being for the common good, it is for the common use—a public servant, a purveyor of information and suggestion, a medium for the interchange of ideas. In this capacity it solicits communications, and its success depends largely on the support given it in this respect. Communications must be signed, but the name of the writer will not be printed except by permission. Communications will be subject to approval or rejection by the editor of the column, but none will be rejected without good reason. Address all communications to

THE AMERICAN,  
Ellsworth, Me.

## THE THREE KINGS.

The kings came riding far away  
Melchior and Gaspar and Balthasar;  
Three wise men out of the East were they,  
And they travelled by night and they slept by day,  
For their guide was a beautiful, wonderful star.

And when they came to Jerusalem,  
Herod the Great, who had heard this thing,  
Sent for the Wise Men and questioned them,  
And said: "Go down into Bethlehem  
And bring me tidings of this new king."

And the three kings rode through the gate  
And the guard,  
Through the silent street, till their horses  
turned  
And neighed as they entered the great inn yard;

But the windows were closed and the doors  
were barred,  
And only a light in the stable burned.  
And cradled there in the scented hay,  
In the air made sweet by the breath of kine,  
The little Child, in the manger lay,  
The Child, that would be King one day,  
Of a kingdom not human, but divine.

Then the kings rode out of the city gate  
With a clatter of hoofs in proud array;  
But they went not back to Herod the Great,  
For they knew his malice and feared his hate,  
And returned to their homes another way.  
—Longfellow.

A Merry Christmas to you all, dear Mutual friends. May the joys, the associations or the memories of the day, bring to each of you pleasure or help or comfort, so that some need of your heart shall be satisfied, some hope be realized, some courage stored up for the future.

Though scattered as we are among so many homes and in so many different states, Christmas Day our thoughts will go to the East and West, the North and South, to the many members of our valued M. B. circle.

Dear Aunt Madge and Mutuals:  
How nicely everything was expressed in the last issue of THE AMERICAN. When I am the busiest, lots of things come to me that I could write, but when the time comes that I could have the time to send a few thoughts, they do not drop easily from my pen.

Yesterday I saw in the paper I was reading these few selections, and they appealed to me so strongly and helpfully that I thought they might be of some good to others. I send them in sections numbered so you can print whole or part as you choose. They contain such rich things that I could not pick out just what you would like best. To all the aunts and sisters I send greetings of the season.

TAINIE MOLLY.

A merry Christmas and a happy New Year! To every one of our friends, old and young, far and near, in every state in the Union, every city on the continent, everywhere! May holiday greetings reach them and manifold blessings be showered upon them, through the Christmas season and all through the New Year about to dawn.

We are approaching the end of another year. It is a good time to look ahead, to view the prospect. It is also the best time for reflection, for retrospection; the time for taking an account of stock, for summing up the balance of profit and loss.

Try this, and see what you find. Do you discover any results in gain worthy a man? Have you finished a year of profitable growth? What have you acquired that is valuable—what that is contributing to the intellect, to the culture, to the art, to the science, to the inspiring and satisfying to the soul? Weigh what you have in the scales of truth—when at the balance let's be true.

We never can adjust it—  
That is, for the years that are gone. The past is a record. The future is made, and like the laws of the Medes and Persians, they change not—they must stand as they are, whether for or against us.

Thanks for your letter and the clippings. I am reserving some for the New Year's column.

## CHARLES KINGSLEY.

Charles Kingsley, an English clergyman, poet and novelist, was born on June 12, 1819, at Dartmouth, Devon. Both as a writer and in his personal intercourse with men, Kingsley was a thoroughly stimulating teacher. As a preacher, he was vivid, eager and earnest.

One of the very best of his writings is a sermon called "The Message of the Church to Working Men". As a novelist, his chief power lay in his descriptive facilities. "Westward Ho," "Hypatia," "Two Years Ago," "At Last," were his later novels.

As a poet, he wrote but little, but that he wrote with singular facility. He died at Eversley in Hampshire, after a short illness, on January 23, 1875.

For your response to request for sketch of Charles Kingsley, I am truly grateful, for I wanted it for our column very much. Not long ago I heard of a young lady who went into a bookstore and asked for Charles Kingsley's latest book, not knowing he was dead. However, she is not a reader of our column.

Dear Aunt Madge and all the M. B.'s  
I am just glad to be able to "take my pen in hand" and drop you a line. Since I wrote to you all before, I have been in the hospital again, but thanks to skillful surgeons and careful nursing I am out once again, though it will be months before I can take up my usual work.

I have enjoyed the nice letters every week. The papers which came when I could not read were kept for me.

O, Dell, what a mess you must have had. I have just had three ceilings in my flat whitened, and it made lots of dirt and dust—but won't you be fine when you are all done? I want to thank all the sisters who sent me the cards. I have quite a collection and some are more valued than those I have of Maine and from Maine people.

## Here's Good Advice.

O. S. Woolver, one of the best known merchants of Le Rayville, N. Y., says: "If you are ever troubled with piles, apply Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It cured me of them for good 20 years ago." Guaranteed for sores, wounds, burns or abrasions, 25c. at E. G. MOORE'S drug store.

used to run in to your niece's when you visited there. You will know my reason for not answering your card.

I wonder if the M. B. who is in Malden intends to go to the Ellsworth reunion, which is to be held in Paul Revere hall, Boston, in February, and does she ever go to the meetings of the Pine Tree association in the Malden auditorium. I attend the association, and would like to meet her if she does.

Christmas is most here. I saw some useful home-made gifts, among them a covering for silk waste, made of a square of cheese cloth, fastened with an inch hem all round it, feather stitched, a small hole cut in the center as large as a silver dollar and feather stitch round that, to put over the hanger, and it keeps the waist from dust as it hangs in the closet.

I came across this article about our flag; think it is good enough to pass along:

A FLAG TO BE PROUD OF.  
At a fourth of July dinner in Shanghai a few years ago, the English consul, in toasting the British flag, said: "Here's to the Union Jack, the flag of flags; the flag that has floated on every continent and on every sea for a thousand years; the flag, on which the sun never sets."

It was such a strong sentiment that the Americans were a little overawed until the American humorist, Eli Perkins, was called to toast the stars and stripes. Looking directly into the face of the Englishman he said: "Here's to the stars and stripes of the new republic; when the setting sun lights up her stars in Alaska, the rising sun salutes her on the rockbound coast of Maine. It is the flag of liberty, never lowered to any foe, and the only flag that whipped the flag on which the sun never sets."

Here is a nice quotation I think:

THE VALUE OF A FRIEND.  
So long as we love we serve; so long as we are loved by others I would almost say that we are indispensable; and no man is useless while he has a friend.—Robert Louis Stevenson.

In putting sleeves in waists, gather the top three times close together and they will stay in place better while basting them in. I haven't written half I want to, but all you will want to read, I think; anyway, I want to come again, so will hope I haven't worn my welcome out this time.

Hope you will all have a delightfully pleasant, happy Christmas.

We are sorry for all your painful experience, but pleased to know you are improving now. Your letter and quotations will be greatly enjoyed.

AUNT MADGE.

## Correspondence.

The Evil of Intemperance.  
GOTTS' ISLAND, Dec. 11, 1907.  
To the Editor of The American:

I feel that I cannot withhold a few words of approval in regard to the correspondence of "H", from North Penobscot, concerning the Old Town riot. I am really glad that there is at least one man in our dear old State of Maine who will condemn those law-breakers who set at defiance our officers when in the discharge of their official duties.

Such lawlessness, when carried on in any place, is a disgrace, and should be condemned by every loyal citizen. I sincerely hope that we may hear words of condemnation from every law-abiding citizen who is opposed to lawlessness and anarchy, for it can be called nothing else.

I read with disgust what some papers state in regard to the expense of sustaining a Sturgis commission. Mr. Editor, but for those law-breakers, there would be no cause for such officials. The two greatest evils of our land all know were slavery and intemperance. The former has been wiped out, and I do sincerely hope that the other evil may also be overcome.

It is surprising to me to see some men who uphold the sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, when the effect of its satanic majesty's death-dealing cup may have entered families well known to them. Still we hear so few voices raised against what is now the greatest evil of our country, and which causes, directly or indirectly, a large percentage of all the murders, to say nothing of the broken hearts, the starving children, the homes of misery and woe.

Are there not others who may be heard from on this subject; if so, let them be not afraid to speak.

CHIPS.

SOUTH BROOKSVILLE.  
The schooner Louis Frances, Capt. Chatto, is discharging coal at the steamboat wharf.

Crosby Ladd, who is attending the seminary at Bucksport, is at home for the Christmas holidays.

Capt. J. F. Hutchinson and crew, of schooner Menawa, which is hauled up at Mariners harbor, S. I., are at home.

Mrs. Viola B. Haskell, teacher of Buck's Harbor school, accompanied by fifteen of her pupils, visited the Cape Rosier school Thursday.

Capt. Joshua L. Chatto, of South Bluehill, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. E. Cousins, Saturday, Dec. 14. Capt. Chatto was a former resident of this place, but moved to South Bluehill a few years ago. He leaves a widow and three children by a former marriage—Capt. Joshua B., of Sargentville; Warren H., of South Brooksville, and Mrs. Jacob Cousins.

Dec. 21.  
Mrs. D. R. Connor has spent a few days of this week with Mrs. D. G. Rich.

Capt. Adelbert Webster, who has been very ill several weeks, remains about the same.

Miss Helen Marks has returned to Vassalboro, where she has charge of one of the graded schools.

Mrs. Eunice Ashe is at home after a brief visit with her cousin, Mrs. Albert Gray, of East Orland.

Mrs. Lena Glatpatrick is at home after caring for Mrs. Elmer Barnard a few weeks. Mrs. Barnard is improving after a serious illness of pneumonia.

Dec. 21.  
A Dangerous Deadlock,

that sometimes terminates fatally, is the stoppage of liver and bowel functions. To quickly end this condition without disagreeable sensations, Dr. King's New Life Pills should always be your remedy. Guaranteed absolutely satisfactory in every case or money back, at E. G. MOORE'S drug store, 25c.

## KITTY TO CARIBOU.

Mrs. John R. McMahon, better known by her maiden name and pen name of Margherita Arline Hamm, died in New York last week, aged forty years. Mrs. McMahon had been a newspaper and story writer for years, and was the only woman war correspondent in Cuba during the Spanish-American war.

Dr. Edward Payson George, a prominent dentist of Thomaston, died Thursday of blood poisoning. He practiced dentistry sixteen years in Frankfort, Ky., and in the Civil war was in the Confederate army, serving as a captain in a North Carolina regiment. He was born in New Hampshire sixty-five years ago.

The Congregational church in Wiscasset, and a portion of the Lincoln county courthouse, were burned Saturday night by a fire which started in the church. It is supposed that the furnace in the church, where a fire had been started to heat the building for Sunday, became overheated. The loss on the church is \$8,000 and on the court-house \$8,000.

Very Rev. Michael C. McDonough, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic church in Bangor, has been appointed by Bishop Walsh to succeed the late Rev. Mgr. Thomas H. Wallace as pastor of St. Patrick's Catholic church, of Lewiston, and will leave the first of next month to assume his new duties. A new pastor of St. Mary's parish will be appointed probably in February.

George A. Thomas, aged eighty-eight years, who for more than fifty years had been the great entertainer of Portland, died Friday. He was known to members of the theatrical and musical profession all over the country as "Uncle George". William W. Thomas, Jr., for many years minister of the United States to the court of Sweden and Norway, is his nephew.

Herbert B. Dyer, aged forty-five, of Portland, prominent throughout the State as a mineralogist and expert in graphite mines, was accidentally shot and killed by his own gun Friday afternoon at Madrid, while hunting. A man passing in a sleigh heard cries coming from the bushes, and upon investigation found Dyer lying in the snow with a wound in the body. He died a few hours later.

Mabel Pelkey, aged twelve years, of Waterville, was killed Thursday by the discharge of a revolver in the hands of her uncle, Charles Moeen, at the latter's home. The children were playing with a revolver. Moeen had taken out the chamber and supposed he emptied out the cartridges, but one remained in the chamber. He pointed the revolver at the little girl and snapped it several times until the chamber revolved to the cartridge, when it was discharged. The bullet entered the girl's head. She lived but a short time.

## STONINGTON.

Mrs. George Eaton is very ill.  
Howard G. Spofford and wife are at Hotel Stonington.

Mrs. C. P. Moon and son are in Exeter, N. H., for the holidays.

Florian Arey is home from Hebron academy for the holidays.

Simon Goss is building a new store at the west end near the Condon store.

Mrs. O. T. Ware and daughter Grace arrived this week from Sedgwick to visit friends.

James McGuire left for New York on Tuesday. He will be employed there for the winter.

J. J. Smith, president of the Benvenue Granite Co., came from New York on Saturday to look over the works.

The clam factory at Burnt Cove closes this week. The employees will give a ball Monday evening. Music by the Granite City band.

Deputy-Sheriff Eaton arrested an Italian with an unpronounceable name, for selling liquor. He was fined \$30, and sentenced to thirty days in jail.

There are many rumors in the air regarding the business on the quarries. It is said that the Benvenue will start up again next week and that several of the other companies have large contracts.

The grand ball given by Uniform rank, K. of P., at the opera house on Wednesday, was a decided success. About ninety couples were present. There was great enthusiasm over the new drill. The Bar Harbor band furnished music.

An Italian boy named Guiney, sliding down hill, ran into a telegraph pole, and was knocked senseless. He was carried into Mrs. V. Goss' house, and a physician sent for. When the physician arrived, the boy was sitting up looking around for his sled, and then went out to slide again.

Dec. 21. NIEHL.

SURRY.  
The fishermen are not doing anything for want of ice.

Everett Stone caught a large mink in a trap a few days ago.

There will be a union Christmas tree in the Baptist church Christmas night.

Stephen N. Goodwin, who has been ill with the grip, is able to be out again.

Best Young, of South Surry, has moved into Mrs. Clara Carter's house in this village.

Rev. W. H. Dunham has been holding revival meetings at East Bluehill the last two weeks.

M. E. Linneken, E. D. Smith and J. F. Staples appraised the estate of Hattie Davis one day last week.

Mrs. Dunham, wife of Rev. W. H. Dunham, came home from New Brunswick last Wednesday night.

Mrs. McGraw, wife of Rev. J. D. McGraw, of Pembroke, with her daughter Florence, is visiting her son, Sandy McGraw, of this place.

Fred Linneken, who has been clerking for Shaw, Hammond & Carney, of Portland, came home Saturday night to spend Christmas with his parents.

Dec. 22. S.  
Make the Liver Lively.

Foley's Orino Laxative gives permanent relief in cases of habitual constipation, as it stimulates the liver and restores the natural action of the bowels without irritating the organs like pills or ordinary cathartics. Does not nauseate or gripe and is mild and pleasant to take. Remember the name Foley's Orino Laxative and refuse substitutes. G. A. PARCHEE.

## Among the Grangers.

This column is devoted to the Grange, especially to the granges of Hancock county. The column is open to all grangers for the discussion of topics of general interest, and for reports of grange meetings. Make letters short and concise. All communications must be signed, but names will not be printed except by permission of the writer. All communications will be subject to approval by the editor, but none will be rejected without good reason.

## DATES.

Friday, Jan. 10.—Meeting of Green Mountain Pomona with John Dority grange, East Sullivan.

Friday, Jan. 24.—Meeting of Hancock Pomona grange with Sedgwick grange.

## STATE GRANGE.

The thirty-fourth annual meeting of the Maine State Grange was formally opened Dec. 17 at Lewiston by State Master Obadiah Gardner, of Rockland, who for ten years has been at the head of the order in this State. The forenoon was devoted to the opening of the convention, while the annual address of the state master and reports of officers and committees occupied the attention of the patrons at the afternoon session.

The reception given the Patrons of Husbandry by the people of Lewiston and Auburn in the city hall Monday evening was in every way a success. Hundreds of the leading citizens of the twin cities were present, and while the function was under the auspices of the Lewiston and Auburn business men's association, it was general, and everyone was interested in the success of the occasion.

A concert was given by the St. Cecilia boys' band of Lewiston, and there was a pleasing vaudeville entertainment. An address was delivered on the part of the business men by I. B. Isaacson, president of the Business Men's association. Mayor Morey welcomed the guests in behalf of the citizens of the two cities. A pleasing response was made by State Master Gardner. To the music of an orchestra, many enjoyed dancing until a late hour.

The election of officers took place Wednesday. There was no choice on the first ballot for master, the re-election of Obadiah Gardner, of Rockland, being contested sharply by friends of C. S. Stetson, of Greene. On the first ballot Stetson had 209, Gardner 204, scattering 5. Mr. Stetson lacked two votes of the necessary majority. On the second ballot, Mr. Stetson was elected, by one majority.

The other officers are: Overseer, Boyden Beare, East Holden; lecturer, W. J. Thompson, South China; steward, D. G. Hall, West End; assistant steward, E. C. Patten, Topsham; chaplain, J. H. Little, South Paris; treasurer, E. S. Additon, Leeds; secretary, E. H. Libby, Auburn; gatekeeper, B. K. Cushman, Steuben; Ceres, Mrs. W. J. Thompson, South China; Pomona, Mrs. Boyden Beare, East Holden; Flora, Mrs. C. S. Stetson, Greene; lady assistant steward, Mrs. E. C. Patten, Topsham.

## MASSAPQUA, SOUTH BLUEHILL.

Massapqua grange held a regular meeting Thursday evening, Dec. 19. The following officers were elected: L. H. Sibley, master; B. E. Sylvester, Jr., overseer; Alice Eaton, lecturer; B. E. Sylvester, Jr., steward; Ganselo Herrick, assistant steward; Lullie Candage, chaplain; A. W. Eaton, treasurer; Beulah Eaton, secretary; Leslie Candage, gatekeeper; B. C. Eaton, Ceres; Flora Hodgdon, Pomona; Grace Sylvester, Flora; Martha Sylvester, lady assistant steward.

## SEDGWICK.

Sedgwick grange met Dec. 20, with a fair attendance. The third and fourth degrees were conferred upon one candidate. The worthy master being absent, in attendance at State grange, the lecturer filled the chair. Refreshments were served by lady officers.

## HARBORIDE, SOUTH BROOKSVILLE.

At the regular meeting of Harboride grange, P. of H., Wednesday, Dec. 18, the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: T. T. Hovey, master; M. D.

## Social.

Works Wonders.

A Wonderful Compound—Cures Piles, Eczema, Skin Itching, Skin Eruptions, Cuts and Bruises.

Doan's Ointment is the best skin treatment, and the cheapest, because so little is required to cure. It cures piles after years of torture. It cures obstinate cases of eczema. It cures all skin itching. It cures skin eruptions. It heals cuts, bruises, scratches and abrasions without leaving a scar. It cures permanently. Ellsworth testimony proves it.

C. E. Sinclair, blacksmith, living on Main St., near the edge of the town, Ellsworth, Me., says: "I suffered for years from an irritation which a number of ointments and remedies failed to cure. I have been in misery when engaged in my business, and the irritation fairly tortured me. I learned of Doan's Ointment and procured it at E. G. Moore's drug store. It not only benefited me, but cured me, and I can recommend it without hesitation to any person suffering from eczema, hemorrhoids, burns, or anything for which an ointment is required."

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Chatto, overseer; George Chatto, lecturer; Jay Condon, steward; Alfred Chatto, assistant steward; Ray Gray, treasurer; L. B. Coombs, secretary; Myrie Orcutt, gatekeeper; Gertrude Mason, Ceres; Mamie Billings, Pomona; Madeline Hovey, Flora; Blanche Robertson, lady assistant steward; Lottie Gray, organist.

## PENOBSCOT.

Penobscot grange met in regular meeting Friday evening, Dec. 20. Three candidates were instructed in the third and fourth degrees. W. S. Bridges, worthy master-elect, having declined the office, a new ballot was taken which resulted in the election of Roy F. Leach.

It was voted to have installation Jan. 3. Refreshments were served during the recess. After recess a short programme was carried out consisting of songs, readings, stories, etc. There were forty-three patrons present, including six visitors from Castine, Bangor and Narramansic granges. An enjoyable evening was spent.

## HIGHLAND, NORTH PENOBSCOT.

Highland grange held its regular meeting Friday evening, Dec. 20, with about thirty members and one visitor. The treasurer-elect, having declined to serve for the ensuing year, Bro. W. Homer Lowell was elected to fill the vacancy. Bro. E. E. Gross gave an interesting account of his trip to the State grange at Lewiston.

## PAMOLA, HANCOCK.

Pamola grange held its regular meeting Saturday evening, Dec. 21, with eighty members and four visitors present. After the usual business, four candidates were introduced and instructed in the third and fourth degrees. A harvest supper followed.

Past Master Daniel H. Saunders was reported very ill, and as a token of appreciation of his many past favors and his untiring efforts in making the grange a success, the relief committee was instructed to procure for him a Christmas remembrance.

## Advertisements.

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## A Theatrical Santa Claus

By JEFFERSON DE ANGELIS.

THE week before Christmas in New York, "once upon a time, not so very long ago," showed Broadway full of eager shoppers, making tracks through a heavy fall of snow which the street sweepers had not yet cleared away. Up and down the magic street and its companion arteries in the retail district a jostling crowd, pushing, fighting its way, sought to catch glimpses of the many treasures temptingly displayed in the shop windows. Great exclamations of life bumped elbows. The girl from the east side, coming down from the slums to view the good things—things forbidden to her pocketbook—brushed her threadbare skirts against the fur lined gown of the daughter of the rich. The almond eyed Celestial from the Chinese district mingled the opium scent of his blouse with the delicate violet of the well dressed crowd. Children from Fifth Avenue in their smart clothes edged away from squallidly dressed urchins with unwashed faces and uncombed hair.

There was happy contentment reflected on the faces of thousands, in contrast to the pinched, hungry, hopeless, feverish eyed faces of the other thousands so strangely mingled on the world's greatest thoroughfare.

At the Rialto theater great preparations were in progress for the production of a new comic opera. Rehearsals had been going on from early morning until midnight, day in and day out. The back of the big stage was a veritable chaos. Unfinished scenery and mysterious looking "props" were being skillfully fashioned into counterfeit presentations of camels, for there was to be a grand march of the king's caravan across the desert. There was an elephant, too, as big as life, and os-



THE TWINKLING LIGHTS ILLUMINATED THE FIGURE OF SANTA CLAUS.

triches and weird objects, all piled in confusion with artificial plants and floral devices, glittering armor and all the thousands of odd things that were being prepared for the most dazzling comic opera of the year, "The Minstrel of the Sahara."

The scenic artists had been working day and night for weeks, and, with the "opening" now only a few days off, the managers were nervously dreading that the beautiful effects would not be finished in time. To add to this fear, Henry Granger, the artist on whom the projectors of the great spectacle had mainly depended, had succumbed to the strain of working for days and nights without sleep and scarcely stopping for anything to eat. He lay at his little side table, tossing and raving in the delirium of typhoid fever. He had been absent from the "painter's bridge" for nearly a fortnight, and although his loss was considered serious at first, some one else had filled his place, and now he was forgotten. Scenic artists, like actors, are improvident creatures, and if any of the warm hearted stage folk had had time to think of aught except the duties that weighed so heavily on each and every one they might have thought that the sick man, out of work and helplessly ill, might be suffering for want of money. Granger was a favorite generally, and many a time had he gone down into his scant savings to help swell a contribution to some needy professional in distress. If anything ever reminded the company of Granger's absence it might have been that his little girl, an only one of seven, came no more with the artist's meals, as she used to when he painted away up there on the "bridge." She was a sweetly coy little thing, her great blue eyes set in a thoughtful and pale face, surrounded by golden curls.

And now it was Christmas eve, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon Old Pete, the stage door tender, was startled from his reveries back in the shadow of his cage by the sweet voice of a child. She had "a note from mamma to Mr. Hardcraft, the manager." No, the manager was not around just then, but she could wait. He might be back

any moment. Tenderly the rough old fellow led the bonny one to a proscenium box and, lifting her into a big upholstered chair, which she far from filled, bade her wait. A busy rehearsal was in progress, which the child watched with no special curiosity, for the night was a familiar one to her, until after a succession of nods she fell asleep.

Every one on the stage was too busy to notice the mite as she rested there, one foot curled under, her pretty face snugly pressed into the corner of the softly padded chair. Her red tam had slipped off, and her hair was loosely massed in ringlets about her face and neck. In a few minutes the stage manager abruptly stopped the evolutions and singing to announce that an hour would be given for something to eat. So there followed a hurrying to nearby cafes and lunch places, and the big theater was left dark and silent, where only a few moments previous had resounded the voices of chorus, the shuffling and patter of feet and the shouts of the excited director. After awhile, one by one and in pairs and more, the company began to assemble again. There was still a good half hour, and the boys and girls of the chorus accepted the opportunity to chat and gossip as they sat on boxes, bundles of carpet or even squatted on the floor of the stage, their talk causing a hum to resound throughout the big auditorium.

And still the child slept on. Suddenly there was an ominous hush as Manager Hardcraft strode upon the stage, shaking snow from his fur lined coat and shining silk hat. His keen eyes pierced the darkness toward the boxes, probably in an effort to detect any of the company who might be stealing some comfort in the box seats, a privilege strictly forbidden. He roughly demanded to know who the "kid" was asleep in one of his forty dollar chairs. Calling old Pete from his post at the back, he wanted to know who let her in, anyway. Going to the little sleeper, Pete deftly took the envelope from the little hand which still clasped it, however loosely. The great man impatiently tore open the note, gave it a swift glance, crunched it and, throwing it among the footlights, gave a pull at his cigar and strode hurriedly into the street. The company crowded forward to view the little intruder. Tony Thompson, the comedian of the organization, picked up the note, straightened out its creases and read aloud:

John Hardcraft, Esq., Manager the Rialto Opera Company:  
Dear Sir—I beg indulgence for thus intruding upon your time and patience. It is with reluctance I write to ask if you cannot send me a few dollars to be paid back as soon as my husband is able to work again. I have used all the money he has saved for the doctor's bill and to purchase medicine and our necessities. We have not had a cent in the house for two days now, and not only are we—my little daughter and myself—in need of food but I fear that I cannot renew the prescriptions for the medicine the doctor has ordered Mr. Granger will have a relapse. I dislike very much to ask this favor of you, but our condition is becoming desperate. You will be doing an act of kindness we shall never forget if you will send something to aid us in our predicament, and may God bless you for it. Respectfully, HELEN GRANGER.

Some one put his hand deep into his pocket and brought up a piece of money, and then without a word there was a tinkling of dimes, quarters and halves as they dropped into the hat of the fat and rosy little comedian. The collection was tied up in a handkerchief and noiselessly placed into the lap of the sleeping child.

But that was not all. A happy thought came to the comedian, now as serious as a Hamlet. From a roll of money he whipped a twenty dollar bill. In a very few minutes the property man and his assistant had placed on the stage in front of the sleeping girl a nice green Christmas tree, purchased without much ado from the vendor on the corner. Others had hurriedly brought little red, white and blue candies, strings of popcorn, tinsel and candy hearts, which were quickly attached to the boughs of the cedar. While this was going on Tony was giving orders in rapid succession, as follows:

"Quick, there, Jennie; bring that big Cossack coat with the fur all around the edges. Bill, run for those boots. Hurry, now. Somebody get me an old man's wig, long white hair, mind you, and a beard. There, that's just the thing. Here, you all stand back in the shadow. Now, girls, sing softly the music that goes with the entrance of the queen's barge in the starlight. That's it—just a little softer!"

The sound of celestial music filled the place. It was dark save where the twinkling lights of the Christmas tree illuminated the figure of the merry Santa Claus standing alongside, with his kindly face turned toward the slowly awakening child. She opened her eyes, blinked them again from the light, sat straight, rubbed her eyes with her tiny fists, stirred herself and then, settling back in the big chair, sobbed aloud. Jumping down from the stage, the Santa Claus took her on his lap and tightly held her in his arms.

"What's the matter, little one? Don't you see that Santa Claus has come to take care of you?"

"Yes, I know, dear Santa, but I am crying because I am afraid I'll wake up and find it isn't real." And the trembling child huddled closer.

"But it is real, and you are not asleep. See this handkerchief filled with money for your dear sick papa. Now take it home, and tonight be sure to hang up your stockings, both of them, for when every little boy and girl is asleep I am going to make my rounds, and I am not going to forget you."—Atlanta Constitution.

After exposure or when you feel a cold coming on take a few doses of Foley's Honey and Tar and it will expel the cold from your system. It cures the most stubborn coughs and colds, and prevents pneumonia. G. A. PARCER.

## Christmas In Cactus Center.

WOMEN'S scarce in Cactus Center, and there ain't no bargain stores.

For to start them Monday rushes that break down the stoutest doors, But we had some Christmas shopping that the town ain't over yet, Just because of one small woman and a drug store toilet set.

She was Cactus Center's teacher, and she hadn't left the stage 'Fore she had the boys plum locoed, and I don't bar youth nor age. She was cute and smart and pretty, and she might 'a' been here yet If it hadn't been for Dawson and his drug store toilet set.

It was old and scratched and speckled, for 'twas in his case for years, But old Dawson, sharp and clever, put a whisper in our ears— 'Lowed he'd sell that set at auction, and he says, "Now, boys, you bet This'll make a hit with teacher—this here swell new toilet set."



IT WAS THEN BEGUN THE SHOOTIN'.

Well, the biddin' started lively, and it got to gittin' hot, For every mind in Cactus on that single thing was set. Purty soon I'd staked my saddle, worth two hundred dollars net, Just to own for one short second that blamed drug store toilet set.

It was then begun the shootin', no one seems to know just how, And 'twas lack of ammiration that at last broke up the row, And thirteen of us was hurt, but the worst blow that we met Was in findin' that some bullets had gone through that toilet set.

But we plugged the punctures in it, and we plugged the wounded, too, And agreed we'd arbitrate it, and the bunch 'd see it through, So we sent a gift committee, but they came back sorer yet, For the teacher 'd fluttered eastward, so we have that toilet set.

—Denver Republican.

## CHRISTMAS NEAR THE POLE.

Where Seal Meat and Whale's Blubber Take Turkey's Place.

"I think Christmas, 1883, was my most memorable one," said General Greely, the arctic explorer. "With my command I was proceeding southward in the hope of obtaining help, and about the 20th of October we encountered ourselves in a little hut at Cape Sabine. Our supply of food was running very low, and we were on very short rations, every one being allowed just food enough in each twenty-four hours to sustain life. Under these depressing circumstances and amid the awful silence of the polar night the cheerfulness that we continued to maintain was remarkable."

"Christmas day came at last—Christmas in the arctic regions! At 6 o'clock we had our breakfast—thin soup made of peas, carrots, blubber and potatoes. Our Christmas dinner was served at 1 o'clock—first course, a stew of seal meat, onions, blubber, potatoes and breadcrumbs; second course, served one hour after first, a stew of raisins, blubber and milk; dessert, a cup of hot chocolate. One of our party had some tobacco still left, and he very kindly made a cigarette for each one in our little party."

"I will wager that in all Christendom that day not another present was given or received that gave such intense delight to the recipients as did those little rolls of tobacco and paper. They were quickly aflame and being puffed away at for dear life, and thus my most memorable Christmas—a Christmas near the north pole—ended in smoke."—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Post—That man down in the arbor making love is a divinity student. Parker—Yes, I know; but who is the divinity?

## A Real Wonderland.

South Dakota, with its rich silver mines, bonanza farms, wide ranges and strange natural formations, is a veritable wonderland. At Mount City, in the home of Mrs. E. D. Clapp, a wonderful case of healing has lately occurred. Her son seemed near death with lung and throat trouble. "Exhausting coughing spells occurred every five minutes," writes Mrs. Clapp, "when I began giving Dr. King's New Discovery, the great medicine that saved his life and completely cured him." Guaranteed for coughs and colds, throat and lung troubles, by E. G. MOORE, druggist. 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free.

## DEER ISLE.

The remains of Mrs. Emma F. Ordway, daughter of William C. Gray and wife, who died in Manchester, N. H., Dec. 10, were brought here for interment. Funeral was held at the residence of Capt. L. W. Gray, Rev. L. M. Bosworth officiating. The interment was at Mt. Adams. Mrs. Ordway is survived by three sons, Harold F. and Fred E. Joyce, of Deer Isle, and Ralph E. Joyce, of Los Angeles, Cal., and one daughter, Rena M. Joyce, of Rockland; also by her parents, one sister, Mrs. Ada H. Marshall, of Deer Isle, and two brothers, Capt. L. W. Gray, of this town, and B. E. Gray, of Manchester, N. H.

## ELLSWORTH MARKETS.

Slump in Price of Eggs—Drop from 45 to 35 cents.

A holiday slump in the price of eggs, which within a week have dropped from 45 to 35 cents a dozen, is the feature of the local market. Eggs are coming in faster than the dealers care to take them at this price.

The Christmas turkey is a little cheaper than the Thanksgiving bird, the price ranging from 25 cents a pound for a western bird to 30 cents for a "native".

The quotations below give the range of retail prices in Ellsworth.

| Country Produce.           |       |
|----------------------------|-------|
| Butter.                    |       |
| Creamery per lb.           | 25.00 |
| Dairy                      | 25.00 |
| Cheese.                    |       |
| Best factory (new) per lb. | 16.00 |
| Best factory (old) per lb. | 15.00 |
| Dutch (imported)           | 15.00 |
| Neufchâtel                 | 15.00 |
| Eggs.                      |       |
| Fresh laid, per doz.       | 35.00 |
| Poultry.                   |       |
| Chickens.                  | 15.00 |
| Fowl                       | 15.00 |
| Hay.                       |       |
| Best loose, per ton        | 14.00 |
| Baled                      | 14.00 |
| Straw.                     |       |
| Loose                      | 8.00  |
| Baled                      | 15.00 |
| Vegetables.                |       |
| Potatoes, pk               | 30.00 |
| Onions, lb                 | 04.00 |
| Turnips, lb                | 02.00 |
| Carrots, lb                | 03.00 |
| Beets, lb                  | 03.00 |
| Cabbage, lb                | 03.00 |
| Radishes, bunch            | 05.00 |
| Celery, bunch              | 20.00 |
| Spruce, pk                 | 10.00 |
| Fruit.                     |       |
| Oranges, doz               | 25.00 |
| Lemons, doz                | 30.00 |
| Apples, pk                 | 25.00 |
| Pineapples, each           | 15.00 |
| Cranberries, qt            | 10.00 |
| Groceries.                 |       |
| Coconut, per lb            | 16.00 |
| Rice, 35                   | 06.00 |
| Cracked wheat, 35          | 06.00 |
| Oatmeal, per lb            | 04.00 |
| Buckwheat, pk              | 12.00 |
| Graham, 35                 | 04.00 |
| Oolong, 35                 | 04.00 |
| Sugar, per lb              | 08.00 |
| Granulated, 35             | 08.00 |
| Yellow, 35                 | 08.00 |
| Powdered, 35               | 08.00 |
| Molasses, per gal          | 35.00 |
| Havanna, 35                | 08.00 |
| Porto Rico, 35             | 08.00 |
| Syrup, 35                  | 08.00 |
| Meats and Provisions.      |       |
| Beef, 35                   | 15.00 |
| Steak, 35                  | 15.00 |
| Roast, 35                  | 15.00 |
| Cornd, 35                  | 10.00 |
| Tongues, 35                | 17.00 |
| Tripe, 35                  | 12.00 |
| Veal, 35                   | 12.00 |
| Steak, 35                  | 12.00 |
| Roast, 35                  | 12.00 |
| Lamb, 35                   | 12.00 |
| Tongues, each              | 12.00 |
| Fresh Fish.                |       |
| Cod, 35                    | 06.00 |
| Haddock, 35                | 06.00 |
| Halibut, 35                | 12.00 |
| Sea trout, lb              | 14.00 |
| Oysters, qt                | 50.00 |
| Fuel.                      |       |
| Wood, per cord             | 3.00  |
| Dry hard, 35               | 3.00  |
| Dry soft, 35               | 3.00  |
| Roundings per load         | 7.00  |
| 100 lb bag                 | 1.00  |
| Buttings, hard             | 6.00  |
| Flour, Grain and Feed.     |       |
| Flour, per bbl             | 5.00  |
| 100 lb bag                 | 1.00  |
| Corn, 100 lb bag           | 1.00  |
| Corn meal, bag             | 1.00  |
| Cracked corn, 100          | 1.00  |

Coal, per ton 12.00  
Broken, 7.50  
Stove, 7.50  
Egg, 7.50  
Nut, 7.50  
Blacksmith's, 6.50

LAW REGARDING WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.  
A bushel of Liverpool salt shall weigh 63 pounds, and a bushel of Turk's Island salt shall weigh 70 pounds.  
The standard weight of a bushel of potatoes in good order and fit for shipping, is 60 pounds, of apples, 48 pounds.  
The standard weight of a bushel of beans in good order and fit for shipping, is 60 pounds; of wheat, 60 pounds; of rye, 60 pounds; of corn, 56 pounds; of onions 63 pounds; of carrots, 35 pounds; of turnips, 35 pounds; of barley and buckwheat, 48 pounds; of oats, 32 pounds, or even measure as by agreement.

You'll Not Need Much yourself, after your dead—but your family will keep right on wanting three meals a day; the landlord will want his rent just the same as now; taxes must be paid on investments, and, as a general proposition, without your masterful hand at the helm there will be a marked shrinkage in values, both in your personal and real estate.

Then there'll be all your debts to pay. Are you sure you have life insurance enough to provide for it all?

"Generally debilitated for years. Had sick headaches, lacked ambition, was worn out and all run down. Burdock Blood Bitters made me a well woman."—Mrs. Chas. Freitoy, Moosup, Conn.—Adv.

Praise From New England.  
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Neuralgic Anodyne is so uniformly successful in curing all aches and pains that it is sold by dealers everywhere with the understanding that if money will be refunded if it does not do all that is claimed for it. A large sized bottle costs but 25 cts.

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**Pauper Notice**

HAVING contracted with the City of Ellsworth to support and care for those who may need assistance during the next three years and are legal residents of Ellsworth, I desire all persons trusting them on my account, as there is plenty of room and accommodations to care for them at the City Farm house.

M. J. DEWINTER.







## ELLSWORTH BRIDGES.

## Statistics Gathered for State Highway Department.

The State commissioner of highways has been gathering bridge statistics from towns and cities all over the State.

Among the great fights of several past legislative sessions have been the attempts to pass a general bridge bill. The first was introduced some four sessions ago and provided that the State should take over all the longer bridges of the State, paying a certain amount for them, and should thereafter maintain them. Fully one-half of the members of the legislature committed themselves to the support of the measure. Seeing only the fact that they might have some expensive bridges in their constituency which the voters would like to have unloaded upon the State, senators and representatives hastened to get themselves on record as in favor of this seemingly popular measure.

The newspapers brought out the fact that the bill as then framed would cost the State some \$2,000,000, and even then the bill nearly received a passage.

Each succeeding session the measure has come up, although in a less radical form, and at the last session nearly secured passage, being beaten by the members from the cities and from the counties in which there are few large bridges. One of the chief objections to the measure has been its indefiniteness, as there has seemed to be little limit to the amount that it might cost the State.

The next legislature will be in a position to approach this subject intelligently, as the result of an order that was introduced the last session authorizing the State commissioner of highways to make an investigation to ascertain the length, physical character and condition, original cost and annual cost of maintenance, together with such other information as he may deem pertinent or necessary, concerning each and every bridge within the State.

It is to gain this information that the State commissioner of highways has sent out blanks to all city and town clerks for information concerning every bridge over six feet in length. City Clerk Cunningham, of Ellsworth, has carefully compiled the information concerning Ellsworth bridges, and forwarded it to Augusta. He finds a total of nineteen bridges over six feet in length in Ellsworth. They are as follows:

Main street, Union river; length, 120 feet; width, 28 feet; sidewalks 7 feet; cost, \$5,779; built in 1896-7.  
 Infant street, Union river; length, 106 feet; width, 14 feet; cost, \$2,500; built in 1907.  
 Bangor road, Union river; length, 192 feet; width, 17 feet; cost, \$6,000; built in 1901.  
 Mariaville road, Union river (Brimmer's bridge); length, 204 feet; width, 14 feet; cost, \$1,400; built 1822; rebuilt, 1887.  
 North Ellsworth, Winkumpough stream; length, 16 feet; width, 18 feet; estimated cost, \$150.  
 Bangor road, Tourtelotte (or Dunham) brook; length, 30 feet; width, 14 feet; estimated cost, \$200.  
 Old Bangor road, Tourtelotte (or Dunham) brook; length, 23 feet; width, 17 feet; estimated cost, \$200.  
 Old Bangor road, Branch pond stream; length, 32 feet; width, 13 feet; estimated cost, \$300.  
 Branch Pond stream (near Hooper mill); length, 34 feet; width, 15 feet; estimated cost, \$300.  
 Branch Pond stream (near Hooper mill); length, 37 feet; width, 12 feet; estimated cost, \$250.  
 Old Bangor road, Branch Pond stream (Bonsey bridge); length, 67 feet; width, 14 feet; estimated cost, \$500.  
 Lakewood, Reed's brook; length, 45 feet; width, 14 feet; estimated cost, \$350.  
 Water street, Card's brook; length, 18 feet; width, 14 feet; estimated cost, \$150.  
 Bayside road, Whitaker's brook; length, 14 feet; width, 13 feet; estimated cost, \$100.  
 High street, Card's brook; length, 20 feet; width, 20 feet; estimated cost, \$250.  
 Boggy Brook road, Boggy brook; length, 22 feet; width, 15 feet; estimated cost, \$150.  
 Nicolin road, Boggy brook; length, 18 feet; width, 13 feet; estimated cost, \$150; built in 1894.  
 Shore road, near the Whitcomb, Haynes & Co. mill; length, 27 feet; width, 30 feet; estimated cost, \$150.  
 Shore road (new bridge now building); length, 34 feet; width, 13 feet.

## NORTH DEER ISLE.

John D. Weed and wife left for Boston Thursday to spend Christmas with friends.

Mrs. Emma Damon left for Boston last Monday, called there by the illness of her sister, Mrs. Lucy Ide.

Mrs. George L. Holden left for Lynn, Mass., Friday to meet Capt. Holden in the schooner Florence Leland.  
 Dec. 23. H.

A Boston lawyer, while cross-examining the plaintiff in a divorce trial, brought forth the following: "You wish to divorce this woman because she drinks?" "Yes, sir." "Do you drink yourself?" "That's my business!" angrily. Whereupon the unmoved lawyer asked: "Have you any other business?"

## Advertisement.

## As Others Think.

Everyone in Ellsworth Has a Right to His Own Opinion.

While everyone has a right to his own opinion, yet it is wise to always consider what others think and profit by their experience.

Nothing makes life so miserable, or interferes so widely with the usefulness of the average American, as indigestion, and it is well for us to give fair consideration to what others think about this remarkable affliction. G. A. Farber is positive that in Mi-o-na stomach tablets he has an absolute cure for indigestion and the many disagreeable symptoms that follow this disease, such as distress after eating, coated tongue, bad taste in the mouth, dizziness, flatulence, nervousness and debility.

His action in selling Mi-o-na on a guarantee to refund the money unless it cures, shows plainly his belief in the value of this remedy. He takes all the risk, and there will be no charge whatever for Mi-o-na unless you are satisfied that it has relieved you of indigestion.

## PRACTICAL FORESTRY

## MEANS TREATMENT OF TREES AS OTHER CROPS.

TO BE CULTIVATED AND HARVESTED WHEN RIPE—VALUE OF FORESTS IN PRESERVING WATER SUPPLY.

Practical forestry does not forbid the cutting of trees, it rather treats them as a crop to be cultivated and harvested when ripe, care being taken to do it without waste, and makes ample provision for reproduction. It is only when the ripe wood is harvested properly that the forests attain to their highest usefulness.

A forest lumbered in the usual way is harvested at an enormous cost to the forest itself. The young growth for the present and the future is injured or killed; the uncarved slash provokes and feeds fires, and the productive capacity of the forest land oftentimes is destroyed for scores of years to come.

On the other hand, proper methods of forestry not only maintain, but increase the capital value of forest land, the crop is harvested more completely, although less rapidly; the way is prepared for reproduction and the young growth protected, and the danger of forest fires is minimized. To be able to do this intelligently a full knowledge of the life of trees must be obtained in order that it may be possible to co-operate with nature in bringing about the desired results.

## FORESTS CONSERVE RAINFALL.

Forests properly handled not only furnish a continuous and undiminished supply of wood, but they protect the soil and act as a natural reservoir, insuring a constant supply of water for rivers. The tremendous importance to the country of the conservation of the forests for wood alone already has been shown in figures.

No figures are possible to show the incalculable value of the forests in conserving the water supply. Strip the forests from the hills and valleys of the very western states, where the greatest opposition has been shown to the President's land policy, and many of the streams that now furnish water for reclaiming the desert lands would dry up. Others would be torrents during the wet season, and perhaps not even trickling rivulets during the dry season.

Forests conserve rainfall, preventing drought within their confines during rainless periods. The litter which covers the floor of a forest saves the water which would otherwise be lost; the water thus retained finds its way by seepage to the sources of springs and streams and thus maintains their steady flow. Deforestation and drainage cause a rapid flow, and the immediate result is freshets and floods, and the final result is drought during long-continued rainless periods.

## HOW THE WATER IS SAVED.

Rainfall escapes from the ground upon which it falls in five ways—through evaporation, transpiration, surface run-off, seepage run-off, and deep seepage. By evaporation is meant the moisture which passes into the atmosphere in the form of vapor from water and soil surfaces, and from objects resting upon such surfaces, including vegetation.

Transpiration is that portion of the rainfall which sinks into the soil, and which is later taken up by the vegetation through the roots and given off to the atmosphere through the stems and foliage. To this latter should be added, although not actually a part of it, the comparatively small amount of moisture taken up by the vegetation, but which through chemical change becomes a part of the organic vegetable structure.

By surface or superficial run-off is meant that portion of the precipitation which, from the time of falling until its exit from the drainage basin, passes over the surface without gaining access to the soil. On the other hand, by seepage run-off is meant that portion of the rainfall which sinks into the earth, but which later reappears on the surface at lower elevations, and with the surface run-off escapes from the drainage basin in the streams. By deep seepage is meant that portion of the precipitation which sinks into the soil, but to such depths that it does not reappear later on the surface of the drainage basin. Evaporation and transpiration are frequently classed together as evaporation.

**PENALTY OF DEFORESTATION.**  
 Stream flow consists of both surface run-off and seepage run-off. Although these two cannot be separately determined, total run-off admits of accurate measurement. Surface run-off may be considered as flood water, while seepage run-off is that portion of the drainage which gives the streams a sustained flow.

It is evident that any factor which decreases the surface or superficial run-off and increases the seepage run-off is of the utmost importance in regulating the flow of streams. Again, forests, by checking the velocity of the wind and covering the mineral soil with a thick layer of dead leaves and other forest litter, effectively prevent soil transportation by both wind and water. On high elevations, where streams generally have their birth, the influence of the forest in this respect is of the utmost importance.

So great is this influence that it exerts a marked effect upon topography. In mountainous regions particularly, the repeated destruction of forests permits the soil formed by the decomposition of the rocks at the sources of streams to be transported to lower elevations, with a consequent slow change in the details of the landscape. Such regions, if unforested, are apt to have precipitous slopes and scanty soil on the higher elevations.

In that case there is no adequate medium to absorb the rain, and it flows over the surface. On the other hand, if such regions are well wooded, the slopes are less precipitous, and a considerable depth of soil usually covers the broad summits. As a result, the rain water is absorbed, the surface flow is reduced to a minimum, and a steady supply of water is furnished to the streams.

Ten years ago Professor Shaler estimated that in the upland regions of the states south of Pennsylvania three thousand

square miles of soil had been destroyed as the result of forest denudation, and that the destruction was then proceeding at the rate of one hundred square miles of fertile soil per year. This enormous loss of fertility by soil wash can be prevented by forestry and the regulation of grazing, the destruction of forest plants by overgrazing being accompanied by a loss of surface soil through erosion, as is the case with forest destruction.

## PASSING OF THE PINE.

At Present Rate of Cutting, Pine Will Soon be a Thing of the Past.

The position which the United States has held as a lumber-producing nation has, perhaps, been due more to white pine than to any other wood. The timber of this valuable tree, which has played a most important part in the material development of the nation, is fast disappearing and now it is as costly as the finest American hardwoods.

Rev. Edward Everett Hale, the chaplain of the Senate, who has always taken an interest in forestry, deplors the passing of white pine as our foremost wood, and tells how in his own lifetime he has seen the day when "the masts of every vessel that sailed the Seven Seas were made from New England grown pine; while to-day very little white pine is cut in New England big enough to furnish a good-sized spar." He tells also, to illustrate the increasing cost of the wood, that he ordered a set of bookshelves on which the cabinet-maker made a price, and then asked whether they should be of mahogany or white pine.

The white pine production has shifted from New England to the Lake states, and Michigan was the leading lumber-producing state for twenty years, from 1870 to 1890, with a supremacy based on white pine. In these two decades the cut was 160 billions of board feet, valued, at the point of production, at not less than two billions of dollars, or nearly half as much again as the value derived from all the gold fields of California from their discovery in the late 'forties until the present.

The rich forests of Michigan were once thought inexhaustible, and lumbering continued in a most reckless manner for years. Suddenly the people awoke to the fact that the thoughtless destruction of the trees had thrown 6,000,000 of acres on the delinquent tax list. These white pine barrens point to the terrible penalty of wasting the forest resources which should have been the heritage of all future generations.

An idea of the increasing scarcity of white pine timber is given by the New York F. O. B. quotations, on a basis of carload lots. "Uppers," of the best grade, cost \$97 to \$114 a thousand board feet, and the "selects," or next lower grade, cost \$79.50 to \$99.50. Men who are not yet middle-aged remember the time when these grades could be purchased at \$15 to \$25 a thousand feet. The present quotations on quartered white oak, which are \$75 to \$80, offer another basis of comparison which indicates the condition of the market for white pine.

The best stands of this timber now in this country are in scattered sections in Minnesota, New England, and parts of Idaho. The species in Idaho is sometimes called silver pine. Some of the country's best white pine is found on the Indian reservations in Minnesota and Wisconsin, and scattered stands are found in the states of Wyoming, Montana, Colorado, and one or two other states.

At the present rate of cutting the tree will soon be practically a thing of the past. The small stands in the national forests are inconsiderable, but they will be managed with the greatest conservatism by the government through the forest service, and through this method and practice of reforestation, it may be hoped that the fine old tree will furnish timber for other generations.

## SULLIVAN HARBOR.

Eugene Simpson is away on business.

A deer was seen on the Mill pond Saturday.

Nathaniel Noyes and son Roscoe are at West Gouldsboro.

Fred Noyes and wife attended State grange at Lewiston last week.

Hiram Whitaker, of Gouldsboro, and James Hill, of West Gouldsboro, were in town last week.

A. Fred Stevens, of Millinocket, will spend Christmas with his mother at William O. Emery's.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearson have the sympathy of the community in the serious illness of their little daughter Esther.

Mrs. Charles Dunbar was operated on last Tuesday. Dr. Simmons, of Bangor, and Dr. Phelps, performed the operation.

Harry Meynell, Fred Bridgman, Dr. George Patten and sister arrived home Saturday, from Boston, for the holidays.

There was a fairly good attendance at Soreas Friday evening. The programme, which consisted of musical shadow pantomimes, reading and photograph selections, was much enjoyed. Mr. Joy played for the dancing. Mrs. Boynton and Mrs. Carr are matrons for the next meeting.  
 Dec. 23. H.

## Soft Boiled Shirts.

She was a dear old lady, but she lived at Hardscabble, and was a bit behind the times. She had been reading the advertisements in a city newspaper chance had brought her way.

"Father," she asked her husband, "what is these here negligee shirts they talk about?"

Father, being a man, was equal to the occasion.

"Don't know what they be?" he grinned. "Well, you are a back-number. Negligee shirts ain't quite so stiff and choky as a b'iled shirt—I mean a regular hard-boiled shirt. A negligee shirt is something you might call a soft-boiled shirt."—Woman's Home Companion.

Uncle Toby was aghast at finding a darkey with his arm around Mandy's waist. "Mandy, tell dat niggah to take his ahm 'way from round yo' waist," he indignantly commanded. "Tell him yo' self," said Mandy, haughtily. "He's a puffed stranger to me."

## Advertisements.

## ILL WIND THAT BLOWS NO ONE GOOD!

Owing to the Financial Crash which came to this country a few weeks ago, a certain clothing firm in Vermont was forced to assign, and we have just received from the assignee our pick of the Clothing Stock.

We bought 150 Men's Suits, Eighty-five Youths' Suits and Fifty Children's Suits at Fifty Cents on the Dollar. The Men's suits are Scotch, Wool and Cheviots; mostly the famous KIRSCHBAUM MAKE, formerly sold for \$12, \$15, \$18 and \$20. We have put them in three assortments at \$6.98, \$7.98 and \$9.79. The Youths' and Children's Suits at the same reduction.

We have also bought from a Wholesale Furnishing Goods House, who needed money, some Rare Bargains in Men's Furnishings.

Some choice sanitary fleece-lined Under-

wear worth 50c and 65c we shall sell at 35c. Outside Blue Jersey Shirts, all sizes, regular 50c goods, at 37c. Blue rib 15c hose at 9c. Brown rib 15c hose at 9c. Black rib 15c hose at 10c. Heavy extra quality 25c hose at 18c. Large assortment Men's Fancy and Plain Handkerchiefs, regular 10c goods, 4c. 50c White Silk Handkerchiefs, 23c. 25c Suspenders, 11c.

On many odd lots in our regular stock we have put special prices; in some cases less than half price. We intend to make this sale memorable. It is rare to find such values as we shall offer at this busy Christmas shopping time.

200 HARTFORD KERSEY HEAVY MEN'S PANTS, \$1.19.

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## MARINE LIST.

**Hancock County Ports.**  
 West Sullivan—Ar Dec 13, sch Georgietta, for New York.  
 Ar Dec 18 sch Fannie and Fay, for Bar Harbor.  
 Ar Dec 17, sch Hazel Dell, for New York.  
 All the above will remain in port for winter quarters.

## BORN.

ATHERTON—At Bluehill, Dec 18, to Mr and Mrs Fred W Atherton, a son. (Harlan P.)  
 BOWDEN—At Orland, Dec 15, to Mr and Mrs J Wesley Bowden, a son.  
 BUTLER—At Franklin, Dec 16, to Mr and Mrs Carl J Butler, a daughter.  
 CARLISLE—At Ellsworth, Dec 19, to Mr and Mrs Eugene A Carlisle, a daughter.  
 CLOUGH—At Surry, Dec 18, to Mr and Mrs Robert H Clough, a son.  
 CONDON—At Stonington, Dec 9, to Mr and Mrs Edward H Condon, a daughter. (Gertrude Elizabeth.)  
 EATON—At Bluehill, Dec 19, to Mr and Mrs Hollis B Eaton, a son.  
 GRAY—At Orland, Dec 21, to Mr and Mrs Rodney Gray, triplet sons.  
 PEREZ—At Stonington, Dec 12, to Mr and Mrs Henry Perez, a daughter. (Isabel.)  
 ROUNDS—At Ellsworth, Dec 21, to Mr and Mrs Fred E Rounds, twins. (boy and girl.)  
 STINSON—At Stonington, Dec 19, to Mr and Mrs George E Stinson, a daughter.  
 STINSON—At Stonington, Dec 17, to Mr and Mrs William Edmund Stinson, a daughter.

## MARRIED.

CROSBY—GOODWIN—At Bucksport, Dec 18, by Rev J W Price, Miss Blanche Crosby, of Bucksport, to Frank Goodwin, of Brewer.  
 DAVIS—FARNHAM—At West Brooksville, Dec 20, by Rev A C Hunt, Miss Edith B Davis to Charles Sinclair Farnham, both of West Brooksville.  
 DUNTON—HEDGES—At Sound, Dec 18, by Rev Stephen Green, Miss Faith V Dunton, of Bar Harbor, to Carl W Hedges, of New York.  
 HARKINS—RAWSON—At Ellsworth, Dec 19, by Rev Vivian P Hendee, Miss Kathryn M Harkins to Edwin W Rawson, both of Mt Desert.  
 HERRICK—LANE—At Sedgwick, Dec 18, by Rev C C Koch, Miss Fannie Herrick to John F Lane, both of Sedgwick.  
 HIGGINS—DUNTON—At Sound, Dec 18, by Rev Stephen Green, of Bar Harbor, Miss Rubie Florence Higgins, of Sound, to George E Dunton, of Bar Harbor.  
 LYNCH—MCGOWN—At Ellsworth Falls, Dec 22, by Rev H W Conley, Mrs Carrie Lynch, of North Ellsworth, to Wallace McGown, of Bar Harbor.

## DIED.

ATHERTON—At Bluehill, Dec 21, Harlan P. infant son of Mr and Mrs Fred W Atherton, aged 8 days.  
 CARTER—At Sedgwick, Dec 19, Mrs Melinda J Carter, aged 67 years, 5 months.  
 JELLISON—At Otis, Dec 21, Serezo E Jellison, aged 83 years, 8 months.  
 MALLEN—At Stonington, Dec 13, Esther Mallem, aged 3 months, 18 days.  
 PALMER—At Stonington, Dec 12, Mildred Palmer, aged 2 months, 3 days.  
 PATTERSON—At North Orland, Dec 17, Charles Patterson, aged 65 years, 2 months, 14 days.  
 SEAVEY—At Dracut, Mass, Dec 15, Mrs Helen E Seavey, formerly of Mount Desert, aged 77 years, 8 months, 7 days.



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## COUNTY NEWS.

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### SOUTHWEST HARBOR.

Mrs. Frank Lunt has been spending a week at Southwest Harbor with her daughter, Mrs. Gertrude Tolman.

Captain William Hanna is taking a trip to New York. During his absence Mrs. Hanna has gone to Calais to visit her aunt and her son Pearl, who is employed on the Washington County railroad.

The sad news of the death of Mrs. Clarence Tarr was received here last week. It was a grievous shock to the friends she had won during her two years' residence at Southwest Harbor, who will always remember her as a bright, lovable woman, young, merry and helpful, a faithful member of the Congregational sewing circle. She will be sincerely mourned here, and deep sympathy is felt for the bereaved husband, mother and four children.

### MIDWINTER SALE.

The Christmas sale by the Congregational sewing circle at Masonic hall on the afternoon and evening of Dec. 17 was a pleasant successful affair and satisfactory to the capable president, Mrs. A. C. Norwood, and her busy aids. The weather was favorable and patronage good.

The handkerchief table proved an attraction. There was a fine display of handkerchiefs, the contributions besides those from home friends coming from Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Wisconsin, and far-off Washington. The circle gratefully acknowledges the kindness of each and all who donated.

The entertainment committee, A. M. Lawton, Grace Carroll Clark and Emma Norwood, had arranged an excellent programme. Piano solos by Gladys Mayo were finely rendered. A beautiful selection by the quartette, E. L. and Fred Higgins, A. M. Lawton and Louise Freeman, followed the opening piano solo. Readings by Annie and Lena Clark and Mrs. Lida Cousins were appreciated, as was also a duet by Mrs. Maud Trask and daughter Margaret. An original poem on "The Battle of Norway's Cove", by Mrs. Maud Trask, delighted the hearts of those whose ancestors were in that heroic band which drove off the invading British warship Tenedos. The closing number, "The Dwarfs, in Barbara Freitchie," was altogether funny, and to Miss Dora Parker is the credit due of arranging this mirth-provoking farce. Mrs. Harry Lawton, at the piano, as accompanist, deserves hearty thanks. The proceeds of the sale and entertainment were \$70.

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### SPRAY.

#### SEAL COVE.

Mrs. Mellie Robertson and little son, of Bar Harbor, are visiting Mrs. Robertson's father, R. L. Latty.

Capt. C. W. Sprague, of Stockton, who is in business in Boston, is in town, called here by the critical illness of his mother, Mrs. L. R. Sprague.

A social and supper was held at Seal Cove hall, Saturday evening, Dec. 14, to raise money to pay freight on a hearse, soon to be purchased of a New Bedford firm. About \$12 was realized at the hall, and contributions swelled the fund to \$19.

Capt. George W. Dow, of Melrose, Mass., master of the ill-fated schooner, Thomas W. Lawson, recently lost on the English coast, has many relatives here. Capt. Dow is a son of the late William and Naomi (Ober) Dow, both natives of this town, who removed to Hancock many years ago. Relatives on both sides are sorry to hear of his misfortune.

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### MOUNT DESERT.

James B. Allen, a student at Kent's Hill, is home for the holidays.

The grammar and primary schools closed very suddenly, owing to illness.

Capt. Isaac Somes, mate of the schooner Grace Stevens, is at home for the winter.

Miss Marion Lawson, of Egypt, Mass., who has been visiting her aunt, Miss M. E. Lawson, for a few days, returned home Wednesday.

William H. Crafts, principal of the Mt. Desert high school, was called away Wednesday by the sudden death of his father in Somerville, Mass.

Rev. William Forsyth, of Bucksport, occupied the pulpit in Union church Sunday morning. Owing to the inclemency of the weather, but few were out.

George S. Parker, who has been employed at Northeast Harbor for the past few months, is home helping care for his brother, D. C. Parker, who is very ill.

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### OBITUARY.

Mrs. Helen E. Seavey aged seventy-seven years, six months and seven days, formerly of Mount Desert, died Dec. 15 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Martin C. Lurvey, at Dracut Centre, Mass.

Mrs. Seavey had been in failing health for the past three years, and had been

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cared for by her daughter with whom she lived at the time of her death. She had been a member of the Methodist church for over fifty years, and was highly esteemed by all who knew her.

She is survived by her husband, Horatio S. Seavey, one son—Charles O., of South Framington, Mass., and two daughters—Mrs. John M. Kingsbury, of Lowell, Mass., and Mrs. Martin C. Lurvey, of Dracut. She also leaves two brothers and three sisters—L. R. Plummer, of Wisconsin; Mrs. Abbie True, of Iowa; Willard Plummer, Mrs. Amanda Gray and Mrs. Alvira Haywood, of Bradford; also twelve grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Interment was at Edson cemetery, Lowell, Mass.

### SOUND.

#### DOUBLE WEDDING.

A pretty double wedding took place at St. James' Episcopal church Dec. 18, when Miss Rubie Florence Higgins, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Higgins, was married to George E. Dunton, of Bar Harbor; and Miss Faith V. Dunton, of Bar Harbor, was married to Carl W. Hedges, of New York. Rev. Stephen Green, of Bar Harbor, officiated, using the double ring service.

The brides entered the church with the bridesmaids, to the strains of the wedding march, played by Mrs. Sidney Higgins. Both brides were dressed in white silk and carried pink and white carnations. The happy couples took the afternoon train, Mr. and Mrs. Dunton for a short trip in Boston, Mr. and Mrs. Hedges en route for their home in New York.

The brides received many beautiful presents and hearty congratulations from hosts of friends, who wish the young couples long and happy lives.

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### INDIAN POINT.

William Norwood is quite ill at the home of Melville Richardson.

Mrs. Seth Harding and Mrs. John Abram spent Friday in Bar Harbor.

F. L. Higgins and wife attended the wedding of their niece, Miss Rubie F. Higgins, to George E. Dunton, at the Sound Wednesday.

Mrs. Abbie T. Walls entertained the members of the W. E. T. S. Thursday afternoon. A delicious supper of clam stew, cake, pie, tea and coffee was served at 6 o'clock.

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### NORTH FRANKLIN.

Nathan Collar returned to Waterville Saturday.

Lou Wilbur is in the woods for Sherman Scammon.

William Grant is building chimneys for Moses Abbott.

Hervey Murch moved his family here from Bar Harbor last week.

Quite a number of pupils from here are attending the grammar school at West Franklin.

Chester Williams has moved into the woods. He will finish stripping the Vene Jellison lot this winter.

Ernest Bragdon has obtained a position on the Bangor and Aroostook railroad, and will leave this week.

S. G. Butler, of Northeast Harbor, visited relatives here last week. He has gone in the woods for Chester Williams.

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Mrs. Varnum is in poor health.

Mrs. Ruth French has gone home for a few days.

Mrs. Augusta Cousins is suffering with pleurisy.

George B. Scammon is attending State grange at Lewiston.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Butler Dec. 16.

L. A. Lawrie is improving slowly, but is not able to sit up yet.

The men here are improving the snow getting out firewood.

Chester Williams and daughter Marjorie, Mrs. Millie Wilbur, Mrs. Bertha Lawrie and daughter Verna were in Ellsworth this week on business.

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### FRANKLIN.

Capt. Edward Dyer is at home from sea, for the winter.

Mrs. Effie Macomber is in Bangor for a few days on business.

Dr. H. F. Collins is in town, from Middletown, Conn., for the holidays.

Miss Charlotte Macomber is at home from Charleston for the Christmas vacation.

A public Christmas tree at the town hall Tuesday evening will attract young and old alike.

The Misses Addie and Maria Bunker

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are at home from Massachusetts for the holiday recess.

Presiding Elder H. B. Haskell will hold quarterly conference here the first week in January, remaining over Sunday.

Rev. Harry Lee was called to Eastbrook Wednesday to attend the funeral of Miss Abigail Bunker, an old-time resident.

The store of W. B. Blaisdell & Co. was burglarized Monday night. It is supposed that some one in town made use of a key that was lost several months ago.

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### PARTHURGE COVE.

Mrs. Effie Preble is employed at Mrs. Nelson Young's.

The Harmony club was delightfully entertained by Mrs. Henry Bartlett and Mrs. L. J. Smith last Wednesday evening. An unusually large number was present. A business session was held at the close of the evening's entertainment.

Miss Addie Ingalls closed a successful term of school last Friday. The exercises, which naturally took the form of a Christmas concert, were perfectly carried out, and the singing and speaking told plainly of much careful preparation. At the close of the programme, each child received a pretty gift from the teacher. Quite a number of the parents were present, and all expressed themselves as much pleased, not only with the exercises of the day, but with the work of the entire term, which has been unusually long. During the fourteen weeks Vera Sargent and Peris Young have been present at every session. Miss Ingalls went home to Bluehill Saturday.

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### MARLBORO.

Homer Wilbur has gone to Clifton to work in the woods.

Mrs. Abbie Bowden has gone to Trenton to spend the winter with her son Tilden.

Miss Bernice Orcutt, after spending a week with her sister, Mrs. Harry Rodick, has returned to her work at Bar Harbor.

George Jellison, of Clifton, spent a few days last week with his wife, who is spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. S. H. Remick.

News was received here last week from Sabra, Mont., that A. McC. Howard had the misfortune to be disabled so that he has been obliged to go on crutches for some weeks. He, with another man, was riding from town with a heavily-loaded team, when the wagon overturned. His companion had his leg broken in two places.

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### EAST LAMOINE.

Capt. F. L. Winterbotham is at home for the winter.

Lawrence Haslem, who went to Machias to work in a mill, has returned home.

Sherman Douglass, who is employed in Kingman, is spending a few weeks at his home here.

Herbert Young is at home from Boston, where he has been employed for the past six months.

Miss Maddocks, who has been teacher here the past year, returned to her home in Skowhegan to-day.

Miss Agnes Boynton has closed her home here and gone to Bar Harbor, where she will be employed for the winter.

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### TRENTON.

Miss Barbara L. Hopkins was in Bar Harbor last week.

Mrs. George Moore and children left Monday for Pittsfield, Mass.

Parcie Moore has gone to Pittsfield, Mass., where he has employment.

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### DEDDHAM.

Mrs. J. A. McLaughlin and daughter Ethel are visiting relatives in Brewer.

Miss Alice Black has gone to Castine to attend the winter term of normal school.

Wentworth Staples and wife are home from Lincoln, where they have been visiting relatives.

Mrs. Joseph Brayman died Dec. 15, after a long illness. She is survived by a husband and two daughters—Miss Susie and Mrs. Grace Prentiss.

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Miss Bernice McLaughlin is home from Bangor for the holidays.

E. W. Burrill and wife attended the State grange in Lewiston last week.

Charlie and Edna Johnson are home from their school at Portland for the holidays.

Guy and Harold Burrill are home from the University of Maine for the Christmas recess.

A Christmas tree and concert will be given at the Congregational church by the Sunday school. Miss Ethel Fogg, Mrs. H. P. Burrill and Miss Amy Miller have charge of the entertainment.

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### AMHERST.

Sewell Nickerson shot a bear recently.

A. K. Haslem, of Waltham, is in town.

Miss Olive Clark is at home from Edington for the winter.

The young folks are rehearsing for an entertainment for New Year's eve.

Ervin Frost's family, of Bar Harbor, is in town for the winter. Mr. Frost is in the woods for J. G. Dunham.

Schools opened Monday, Dec. 16, with the following teachers: District No. 1, Helen Jewett; No. 2, Mrs. Ervin Roberts; No. 4, Vera Haslem.

The Grover boys are repairing their mill and getting ready for A. H. Haslem, who will saw hard wood there this winter. They will cut all the bushes from the mill to the road, which will give them a good mill yard.

George W. Rodick, Jr., has bought W. L. Hussey's place. He will take possession in the spring. Mr. Hussey will begin moving as soon as snow comes. He will go to Bangor. His many friends regret that he will leave town.

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### ATLANTIC.

The primary school closed Thursday. The grammar school will continue five weeks longer.

Mrs. Pinkham was called to Deer Isle last Saturday by the illness of her brother, Uriah Morey.

Miss Johnson, who has been giving music lessons here, has returned to her home at Deer Isle for the winter.

Austin Joyce, president of the high school at Eastport, came home to spend Christmas with his parents, Lewis Joyce and wife.

Alfred Joyce and wife have gone to Portland, where they have employment. They are now talking of spending next summer there, and renting their house here.

The mail which should have been here at 6 o'clock Monday night did not arrive until after 8, as the Bodwell, that runs down to Vinalhaven, broke her wheel, and the Swan's Island boat had to make her trip.

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### SWAN'S ISLAND.

Great Chiefs Bailey and Strout, of Portland, visited Hockamock tribe Thursday night.

Al. Marts was at Herrick's hall Saturday and Monday evenings. The hall was well filled.

Mrs. Emma Prock, of Portland, is spending the holidays at the lighthouse with her aunt.

Presiding Elder Haskell preached an interesting sermon in the Methodist church Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Esther Knowlton and husband, of Stonington, spent last week here with Mrs. Knowlton's parents, Dana Burns and wife.

Schooner James Boyce, Capt. Alley, loaded stone at the M. Baird Contracting Co.'s wharf last week, and sailed for New York Friday.

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### BARTLETT'S ISLAND.

School closed Dec. 10.

E. D. Stebbins came from Bluehill Sunday.

George and Wesley Bartlett killed a fox Saturday.

Lloyd Higgins, who has been carpentering here, has gone to his home in Ellsworth.

Jessie Fullerton and Vina Ray have been visiting in Bangor and Ellsworth the past two weeks.

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### PRETTY MARSH.

Mrs. Allen E. Freeman has been visiting relatives at Seal Cove and Manset.

Miss Laura Haynes, who has been em-

ployed in the postoffice, was compelled to return home last week on account of lameness.

Nathan Smallidge was at the Freeman house last week for a week-end visit.

Curtis Young, who has been at work at Bar Harbor, is at home for a short time.

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### NORTH SULLIVAN.

Miss Mina E. Robertson is steadily improving.

Miss M. E. Moon, who has been ill, is somewhat improved.

Miss Beulah Wooster was on the sick list a few days last week.

Onias Springer spent a few days in Bar Harbor last week on business.

Mrs. John Mortimer, who has been suffering with rheumatic fever, is improving.

Ralph A. Springer, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Onias Springer, left last Tuesday for Providence, R. I. Mr. Springer was hastily summoned home by the death of his little daughter. Many friends extend sympathy.

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### EDEN.

Miss Edna Emery, of Salisbury Cove, spent Sunday with Miss Josie Leland.

William Higgins, who has been spending some time in New York, is at home.

The Central school will close Dec. 20 for two weeks' vacation. The pupils are preparing for an entertainment to be given Thursday evening.

The primary school closed Friday for a vacation of three weeks. The teacher, Miss Ripley, left Saturday for Dexter, where she will spend her vacation.

Dec. 18.

### SOUTH DEER ISLE.

Mrs. Tracy was in Rockland Monday.

Anthony Bye was in Rockland this week.

Mrs. Fred Radcliffe left Wednesday morning for Merchant's island.

William and Charles Newbert, of Appleton, are guests of R. W. Judkins.

The grip is prevalent in many parts of the island, but so far South Deer Isle has escaped.

Mrs. Richard Smith will leave this week for Boston to spend the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Gilman Bray.

There was no preaching at the Methodist church Sunday, Dec. 15, owing to the storm and the ill health of the pastor.

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### NORTH DEER ISLE.

Postmaster C. Walter Webster is ill. Delmont Torry is in the office.

The Sidewalk society will meet with Mrs. Ellen Hayes next Tuesday evening.

There was no service or Sunday school Sunday on account of the snow storm, the first one for the winter.

The schooner William H. Read, Capt. Ralph Gray, sailed one day this week on fishing trip. Charles Gray, Eddie Rogers and Harold Hardy went as crew.

The youngest child of Mark Thompson and wife fell recently, striking on her head. Convulsions followed, but at last reports her condition was improving.

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### SUNSET.

Mrs. Henry Haskell, who has been quite ill, is out again.

Clarence Eaton, who has been at work on Mt. Desert, came home Tuesday.

Mrs. Arville Haskell is with her mother, Mrs. Lydia Saunders, who is in poor health.

Philip Small, who has been in Bangor for a few days, came home Tuesday.

Charles Haskell and Walter Eaton are cutting wood for Florence Saunders.

Work has been stopped at the Dunham Point mine for want of coal, which is expected every day.

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## CASTINE.

Miss Annette Robinson has returned from Harrington, where she has been teaching.

Miss Martha Westcott has gone to Boston to spend a few weeks with her sister, Miss Agnes.

Mrs. Bert Dickson has returned to Castine after spending a number of weeks with her husband in Rockland.

W. A. Walker and wife left this week for Rockland, where Mr. Walker went to undergo an operation in the hospital.

Miss H. G. Eaton and John Hardy, of Little Deer Isle, were guests one day last week of Jno. Billings and wife at their home on Court street.

Miss Josephine West, who has been employed for a short time in the dental parlors of W. S. Payton, has returned to her home in Sedgwick.

Miss Pauline Faye Devereux returns today from Stamford, Conn., where she is teaching. Miss Devereux will remain home for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Katherine Davenport, the popular librarian, who has been spending a vacation of several weeks in Boston and other places, has returned to her home here.

Joseph Peterson has accepted a position as druggist in a large store in Cambridge, Mass., and left last week to assume his duties there. His family will follow him later.

Miss Lewis, who is interested in the Maine missionary work, gave a lecture at the Congregational vestry Wednesday evening on her experiences in her work in Maine. The lecture was much enjoyed by the small number present. It is understood that Miss Lewis has been secured to talk to the students of the normal school at a later date.

The convention of the thirty-ninth district I. O. O. F., was held at Emerson hall Wednesday afternoon and evening. About eighty-five visiting members were present from the following lodges: Star of Hope lodge, of Vinalhaven; Pemet lodge, of Southwest Harbor; Gov. Brooks, of Brookville; and the lodge at Bluehill and Brooklin. During the convention, work in the first degree was exemplified by Gov. Brooks lodge, the second by Bluehill lodge, and the third by Massasoit lodge, of Castine. Supper was served at 6 o'clock in banquet room, while a midnight supper was served after the work. The convention did not disband until the small hours of the morning.

Dec. 23. G.

## NORTH CASTINE.

E. R. Domansky is ill.

Mrs. Clara Dunbar, who has been ill, is improving.

Miss Annie L. Dunbar is teaching in the Emerson district.

Mrs. Helen Hatch is suffering with rheumatic sore throat.

Lyman Blake, of Bangor, is visiting his parents, Daniel Blake and wife.

Frank Farnham, fireman of the steamer Rockland, is home for the winter.

Miss Emma C. Wardwell has gone to Castine to resume her studies in the high school.

Capt. Frank W. Hutchins has hauled up his sloop, Paul Bevere, and is home for the winter.

There will be a Christmas tree and entertainment at the Dunbar schoolhouse Christmas eve.

J. W. Bowden and wife, J. E. Dority and wife and Norris Heath attended the State grange in Lewiston.

Mrs. Percy Wardwell, with her son Albert, is visiting her parents, Alphonso Emerson and wife, in Bluehill.

Jay Dodge, who has been engineer on a steamer the past year, is spending a vacation with his father, A. K. Dodge.

George A. Grindle left last week for New York, to join the steamer commanded by Capt. Charles Devereux of this place.

Mrs. Isaac Dunbar, with her son Delmont, arrived Thursday from Connecticut, where she has been visiting relatives.

A dancing class has been organized, and meets every Saturday evening. Music is furnished by Monaghan, of Ellsworth.

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## SEDGWICK.

J. W. Paris is quite ill.

John H. Eaton is recovering from chicken pox.

Rev. G. W. F. Hill is at A. F. Cole's for a few days.

J. W. Snow has gone to Boston to spend the holidays with his daughter.

R. A. Bracy and family have lately moved into the J. Watson house.

Charles A. Conary and wife returned Thursday from a week's visit to their parents at Sunnyside.

Mrs. J. E. Wilson left Monday for Dorchester, where she will remain during the winter with her son William.

J. H. Hooper, F. H. Smith and wife, T. A. Smith, Mrs. G. Hall and many others are prostrated with the grip.

C. N. Rhodes and wife left for Boston on Monday. Should the weather be severe, they will remain for the winter.

Y. H. Cain is home from Burnt Island, and will remain with his family here. His niece, Mrs. Hall, who has kept house for him during the summer, will move to Bluehill Falls.

The joint installation of Minnewaakon chapter, R. A. M., and Columbia chapter, O. E. S., which was to have taken place last evening, has been indefinitely postponed on account of much illness.

A wedding of interest took place Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs.

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## CASTINE.

F. M. Herriek, when her daughter, Miss Fannie, was married to Capt. John F. Lane, of this village. The ceremony was performed by Rev. C. C. Koch, at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Laura D. Eaton played the wedding march. The spacious parlors were tastefully decorated with potted plants. Only the near relatives and friends were invited. Capt. and Mrs. Lane have a host of friends here and elsewhere who wish them every happiness.

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## BROOKLIN.

A. E. Farnsworth is in Boston on business.

Mrs. Amanda Sellers, who has been ill, is improving.

A. H. Mayo went to Rockland Wednesday, on business.

P. E. Lufkin, who has been employed at Surry, is at home.

Miss Lela Maddocks, of Bluehill, is visiting Miss Anna Smith.

Mrs. Nellie Joyce has gone to Brooksville to visit Mrs. Morris.

Frank Jones, of Bangor, is spending the holidays with his family here.

Ten Brooklin Odd Fellows attended the convention at Castine Wednesday.

Mr. Speer, of Bluehill, is employed by Maynard Blaisdell at his blacksmith shop.

E. B. Kane and wife have returned from South Bluehill, where Mr. Kane has been running the clam factory.

Will Nutter, who is employed as a teacher at Higgins' Classical Institute at Charleston, is spending his vacation with his father, H. J. Nutter.

Dec. 21. UNE FEMME.

## BLUEHILL.

Rob Hinckley arrived from Etna, Dec. 17.

Bert Veazie is at home from Stockton Springs.

Miss Elsie Philip is teaching in Brooklin and Miss Maud Bacon in South Bluehill.

The ladies' Baptist circle was entertained Dec. 19 by Mrs. W. G. Greene, Mrs. James Bettel and Mrs. F. L. Stover.

Misses Mabelle Babson, Joy Hinckley and Jennie Grindle are at home from Colby to spend the holiday vacation.

Mrs. Sherman Hinckley and Mrs. Austin Stevens have returned to Penobscot last week by the illness and death of their father, Mr. Snowman.

Dec. 20. M.

There will be a dance at the town hall Friday evening. Music by Monaghan.

## NORTH BLUEHILL.

Mrs. Nellie C. Bowden, of Ellsworth, visited friends here last week.

Mrs. Mary B. Hinckley is teaching the winter term at the Witham district.

Mrs. Hannah Thompson, of South Penobscot, is visiting at H. J. Cunningham's.

Thomas Grieve and wife and A. P. Soper are attending the State grange at Lewiston.

Fred Candage and wife are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a ten-pound boy, December 10.

Mrs. Charles A. Conary was called to East Orland Wednesday by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Gilbert Blaisdell.

Dec. 16. D.

## BLUEHILL FALLS.

There will be a Christmas tree and concert at the schoolhouse.

Ross Hall and family have moved into the Sylvester house for the winter.

David Friend has cut his wood on the Dodge place. Frank Candage has hauled it for him.

Annie Johnson has returned home to Camden, after spending several weeks here with her sister.

Wilfred Conary is home from Calais, where he is teaching, to spend the holidays with his parents.

Dec. 21. CRUMBS.

## SOUTH BLUEHILL.

Mrs. Flora McNabb, of Rockland, is visiting at Mrs. Sarah Eaton's.

Hollis Eaton and wife are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

Mrs. Emma Bowden visited her daughter, Mrs. Josie Dow, of North Brooklin, recently.

Herbert Candage is hauling freight from the wharf here for Fred Cole, of North Brooklin.

Mrs. Hattie Tyler, of Brooklin, is spending a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. Hollis Eaton.

Dec. 20. C.

## EAST BLUEHILL.

Richard Greene and family have moved into their new house.

W. F. Chapman and family have moved home from Stonington.

There will be a Christmas tree and concert at the Baptist church Christmas eve.

The schooner Kate L. Pray discharged freight this week for L. B. Grindle and E. C. Long & Son.

Dec. 21. R.

## COUNTY NEWS.

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## BUCKSPORT.

Miss Blanche Crosby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arno Crosby, of this place, was married to Frank Goodwin, of Brewer, at the home of the bride Wednesday noon, by Rev. J. W. Price.

Prof. F. E. Bragdon, of the seminary, has received a letter from Edwin Ginn, of Boston, stating that his brother, Fred B. Ginn, who died in California recently, left a bequest to the seminary of \$25,000.

Harry Barnaby has gone to Hot Springs, Colorado, where he hopes to regain his health. Mr. Barnaby was for many years baggage-master on the Bucksport train, and for the past six months has been station agent at the new station in Bangor. His place has been taken by Charles Smith, who is well and favorably known in Bucksport.

The reports of scholarship for the fall term at the seminary have been announced. A Bucksport student of the freshman class again wins first place. The honor this time belongs to Miss Annie McCallin, who has made an average of 96 per cent. in every study. She is awarded first honors for the term. Sixteen students have secured an average of above 90 per cent. in every study, and are awarded second honors. The list is as follows: Gertrude Brown, Orland; Mary Calkin, Stockton Springs; Goldie Davis, Bucksport; John Day, Princeton; Fred Dickey, Northport; Laura Dow, Bucksport; Anzella Harrison, Prospect; Josie Heath, Verona; Florence Homer, Bucksport; Florence Leighton, Cherryfield; Geneva Page, Bucksport; Clara Perkins, Bucksport; Edith Roberts, Caribou; Celia Smith, Bucksport; Hazel Waldron, Prospect; Lucy Whitmore, Verona.

Warren Beedle, of the steamer City of Rockland, is at home for the winter.

Mrs. Martha E. Spooner left Monday for Chicago to spend the winter with her brother.

Charles Foster returned home Saturday from Massachusetts, where he has been on business.

Walter Sargent, who is attending Bates college, is at home for the Christmas vacation.

Walter Nevells, who has been employed at Tapley's livery stable, West Brooksville, is at home.

Mrs. Clara Clapp, of North Sedgwick, is spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Fred Sargent.

Vera Harding, Horace Eaton and Sherman Sargent have returned to Pittsfield, where they attend the Maine Central institute.

Dec. 16. SIM.

## HARBORSIDE.

Thomas Gray is building a piazza on his house.

Mrs. Atwood Redman is at E. J. Smith's for a few weeks.

Otis Gray and Charles Ladd are working for Alvarado Gray.

Glady Black, who has been teaching at Passadumkeag, is at home.

William Vesque and son Orville are working in the Tapley mine.

Mrs. Ephraim Dyer is at West Brooksville, working for Rufus Dodge.

Charles Blake sold his sail-boat to Mr. Trundy, of Brooklin, last week.

Everett Gray is home from Belfast, having finished his school. He will go to Corea to teach this winter.

Capt. Ernest Gray, who has been yachting the past season at New York, is at home for the winter.

Dec. 16. G.

## BROOKSVILLE.

Mrs. Grace Closson is very ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. Nellie Joyce, of Melrose, Mass., is with Mrs. L. T. Morris, this winter.

Mrs. L. M. Roberts has gone to spend a few weeks with her granddaughter, Mrs. O. M. Gray, at South Brooksville.

Miss Maud A. Yeaton has returned to her home in Ellsworth, after spending a few days with Miss Emma Gray.

Dec. 20. A.

O. P. and M. R. Limeburner have purchased of K. S. Grindle his grocery cart, and are on the road.

The remains of Capt. Lowell Chatto, of South Bluehill, were brought here for

burial.

Badly Mixed Up.

Abraham Brown, of Winterton, N. Y., had a very remarkable experience; he says: "Doctors got badly mixed up over me; one said heart disease; two called it kidney trouble; the fourth, blood poison; and the fifth stomach and liver trouble; but none of them helped me; so my wife advised trying Electric Bitters, which are restoring me to perfect health. One bottle did me more good than all the five doctors prescribed." Guaranteed for blood poison, weakness and all stomach, liver and kidney complaints, by E. G. MOON, druggist, 50c.

THE subscribers, Lyman L. Lord and Everett W. Lord, residing out of the State of Maine, to wit: the said Lyman L. Lord residing in Boston, Mass., and the said Everett W. Lord residing in San Juan, Porto Rico, hereby give notice that they have been duly appointed executors of the last will and testament of

SAMUEL L. LORD, late of ELLSWORTH, in the county of Hancock, deceased, no bonds being required by the terms of said will. And they are appointed Harry L. Crabtree, of Ellsworth, Maine, their agent in the State of Maine, as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

Witness my hand and seal, at Ellsworth, Me., Dec. 18, 1907.

OLIVER CALVIN DONNELL, late of ELLSWORTH, in the county of Hancock, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

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## GREAT POND.

## FUNERAL OF CLYDE LAUGHLIN.

This community was much saddened by the sad accident which resulted in the death of Clyde Laughlin on Monday of last week, the particulars of which were published in THE AMERICAN. This is the second sudden blow to John Laughlin's family, as their oldest son, John, Jr., a fine boy of fifteen years, was drowned on Middle Branch drive some twenty years ago. Clyde was an expert with rod and gun, and every one wonders how he could have been so careless. Beside his parents, John Laughlin and wife, he leaves three brothers—Eugene, Mathew and Robert, and four sisters—Mrs. Ernest Rowe, of Aurora, Lillian Laughlin, of Chicago, Mrs. Raymond Williams, and Mrs. J. F. Haynes, of Great Pond. All except the sister in Chicago were present at the funeral, which was held in the church under the management of A. E. Mace. Miss Garland conducted the services. The bearers were Levi Bragg, Eugene Chick, Linwood Chick and Guy Chick, cousins of the deceased. There was a large attendance of relatives and friends. Among those from out of town were Mathew Laughlin, Mrs. Lynott, of Bangor, Martin Laughlin, wife, son and daughter, of Eddington; Mrs. E. J. Bragg, Mrs. Frances McLaughlin, Frank McLaughlin and wife, of Clifton. There were lovely contributions of flowers from friends in Amherst. Clyde's genial disposition and pleasant smile made him a general favorite with his associates, by whom he will be much missed, as well as in his home. All extend sincere sympathy to the bereaved parents and family.

Dec. 12.

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Frank E. Mace is in Bangor on business. Guy Patterson and wife are visiting friends in Boston.

Miss Bernice Williams has gone to Bangor to spend the holidays.

John and Robert Laughlin will go to Clifton Monday to lumber for the winter. Wilbur Estabrook, of Bangor, was the guest of Ezra Williams from Sunday until Wednesday.

Albert Haynes and Wallace Lord are home from Jo Merry lakes, where they have been through the hunting season.

Dec. 20.

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## BAR HARBOR.

The Y. M. C. A. basketball team won its first game of the season here Saturday, defeating the team from Old Town high school by a score of 35-17.

## Advertisements.

## The Cause of Many Sudden Deaths.

There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidneys poison the blood will attack the vital organs of the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell.

Bladder troubles most always result from a derangement of the kidneys and a cure is obtained quickest by a proper treatment of the kidneys. If you are feeling badly you can make no mistake by taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases.

Swamp-Root is pleasant to take and sold by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sized bottles. You may have a sample bottle of this wonderful new discovery and a book that tells all about it, both Home of Swamp-Root, sent free by mail. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention wanting this generous offer in this paper.

Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

## The Right Help For Headache

Sherman, Me., Aug. 13, 1906.  
"I have used the 'L. F.' Bitters with success for years. They are the only thing I can find to help me when I have an attack of headache."  
Respectfully yours,  
Mr. George Kneeland.

When sickness comes a dose of "L. F." Atwood's Bitters will work wonders toward making a recovery. They act quickly and beneficially on the whole system, purifying blood, strengthening stomach, cleansing bowels. 25c at drug stores.

## A Reliable Remedy FOR CATARRH

## Ely's Cream Balm

Is quickly absorbed. Gives relief at once. It cleanses, soothes, heals and protects the diseased membrane resulting from Catarrh and drives away a Cold in the Head quickly. Restores the Senses of Taste and Smell. Full size 50 cts. at Druggists or by mail. Liquid Cream Balm for use in atomizers 75 cts. Ely Brothers, 59 Warren Street, New York.



## The Kaiser's Christmas.

PROBABLY no European court gives Christmas presents on so extended a scale as the Kaiser's. Every one gives presents to every one else, and for weeks before Christmas secret inquiries are made about the most suitable gifts to bestow. The empress and her seven children mysteriously dash about Berlin and Potsdam, visiting jewelers, toyshops and other establishments where something new or striking is to be had, and they hold a levee every morning of tradesmen whom they have no time to visit.

The Kaiser does no shopping himself, but he is the greatest Christmas box giver of all, and his presents in every case exactly fit the desires of the happy recipient. Early in December he makes a list of the persons to whom he intends making presents. His wife heads the list, and at the foot is usually some old pensioner or invalided housekeeper who has served the Hohenzollerns for half a century.

Soon before Christmas the royal mint sends the Kaiser a bag of bright, new



HE BELLOUED OUT THE ONE WORD "MAJESTAT!"

gold twenty and ten mark pieces and another of silver five mark pieces. His majesty fills his pockets when he goes walking in the parks at Potsdam, and the little children and old men and women who are fortunate enough to meet him or soldiers standing sentry, stamping in the snow, are certain of a gift, accompanied not infrequently by a joke.

The Kaiser's best side is seen at Christmas. There is a story current that once near the palace of Sans Souci the Kaiser came upon a half frozen sentinel with very red nose and eyes. The sentinel, with stiff fingers, brought his rifle to the salute.

"Cold day," said his majesty. The sentinel did not reply, but his teeth chattered.

"How long have you been on duty?" asked the Kaiser. Still no reply.

"Stupid!" said his majesty. "Why don't you speak when I address you?"

The sentinel moved his jaws and lips, but no word escaped. The Kaiser burst out laughing and, turning to his adjutant, said:

"Take this chap into the palace, put him before a fire, thaw him out, particularly his jaws, see he gets a big hot drink and a big feed, and, here," turning to the sentry, "take this and drink my health and the empress's!"

The soldier found voice at last. He belloUED out the one word "Majestat!"

The empress is always practical with her gifts. Every year her majesty grows more popular among the best elements of the people. Her unassuming ways, entire freedom from hauteur, consideration for servants and kindly interest in the welfare of the poor and helpless endear her in ever widening circles of Germans. She is fond of presenting ladies with costly lace.

The young princes, headed by the crown prince, show little discrimination in their gifts—scarfpins, rings, dogs, cigarette cases, matchboxes, and so on, being their staple gifts. varied sometimes by a book, a picture or a statuette. Victoria Louise's gifts of dolls to her friends are numerous. To favored friends she does not mind presenting kitchen ranges and furnished dolls' houses. She is in close association with the matrons and soldiers' orphanages at Potsdam, and the number of little girls who receive her gifts is enormous. Stores of oranges and honey cakes are collected by her for distribution on Christmas eve.—New York World.

## An Old Christmas Custom.

A century or two ago there was a custom in Germany for all the parents in a town or village to send the presents they designed for their children to one chosen individual, who called at each house clad in a motley robe, a mask and a huge flaxen wig. Knocking on the door, he called in a loud voice for all the good children to appear and receive the gifts which the "St. Child," the Christ-Kindelchen, had sent them. This was the primeval Kris Kringle. Coleridge describes this custom and records that the bad little children had a rod left for their correction.—Brooklyn Citizen.

## QUEER CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

Some of the Things Found by the British Dead Letter Office.

During the ten days preceding Christmas about 190,000 parcels are handled every twenty-four hours by British postoffice officials, or approximately 1,750,000 for the entire ten days during which the rush lasts.

The contents of many of the parcels are, to say the least, somewhat curious, says the Pictorial Magazine. A hamper of live leeches, for instance, seems a strange sort of Christmas gift. So does an artificial leg. Yet both of these were among the parcels "treated" last Christmas. Another long coffin shaped box excited suspicion on account of the odor emanating therefrom. On opening it, however, nothing more dreadful was found than a young alligator in a dormant condition. Another evil smelling hamper was found to contain no fewer than 300 dead mice, while yet a third inclosed a defunct puppy consigned for postmortem purposes to an eminent surgeon.

Christmas presents of live animals are constantly being sent through the post notwithstanding the fact that the practice is strictly prohibited. Pigeons, rabbits, white mice, rats, ferrets, silk-worms, lizards, snakes, guinea pigs and even on one occasion a pet lamb have all been dealt with at some period or other.

No longer ago than last Christmas eve a box was intercepted containing 150 live frogs, and a short time before twelve healthy young adders were discovered in an innocent looking hamper which was supposed to contain poultry.

Some of the inclosures are decidedly sarcastic. Of this class was a two foot long cane bearing the indorsement: "A Christmas present for Johnny." For outward application only. To be well rubbed in."

## KING HEROD'S ROOSTER.

The Legend of St. Stephen, First of the Noble Army of Martyrs.

Ever since that first Christmas eve the cock has crowed all night long on the anniversary to keep away evil spirits, for the cock is a holy bird and a knowing one. There is a pleasant tale of him and St. Stephen, the first martyr, whose day is Dec. 26, close by his dear Lord's.

St. Stephen was King Herod's steward, it seems, who served him in the kitchen and at table. One night as he was bringing in the board's head for his master's dinner he saw the star shining over Bethlehem. Immediately he set down the huge platter and exclaimed:

"No longer, Herod, will I be thy servant, for a greater King than thou art born."

"What aileth thee?" cried the king wrathfully. "Do you lack meat or drink that you would desert my service for another's?"

"Nay," answered Stephen; "I lack neither meat nor drink, but the Child that is born this night is greater than all of us, and him only will I serve."

"That is as true," quoth Herod, smiting the table with his fist, "as that this rooster crow on the platter shall crow before us."

Hardly were the words out of his mouth when the cock stretched his neck and crowed lustily. "Christus natus est!" At this proof that Stephen's words were true Herod was so angry that he made his soldiers take Stephen outside the walls of Jerusalem and stone him to death. And this is the reason why unto this day St. Stephen is the patron of stonecutters.—Abbie Farwell Brown in Lippincott's Magazine.

## THE NEWSBOYS' PIE.

It Took Man Who Looked Like Bing-ham to Find It.

Tramp! Tramp! Tramp! Two hundred and fifty pairs of little feet, keeping step, are marching to dinner in the New York newsboys' lodging house. Five hundred pairs more are restlessly awaiting their turn upstairs. In prison, hospital and almshouse the great city is host and gives of her plenty. Here an unknown friend has spread a generous repast for the waifs who all the rest of the days shift for themselves as best they can—turkey, coffee and pie, with vegetables to fill in. As the file of eagle eyed youngsters passes down the long tables there are swift movements of grimy hands, and shirt waists bulge, ragged coats sag at the pockets. Hardly is the file seated when the plaint rises: "I ain't got no pie! It got swiped on me!" Seven despoiled ones hold up their hands.

The superintendent laughs—it is Christmas eve. He taps one tentatively on the bulging shirt. "What have you here, my lad?"

"Me pie," responds he, with an innocent look. "I was scart it would get stole."

A little fellow who has been eying one of the visitors attentively takes his knife out of his mouth and points it at him with conviction.

"I know you," he pipes. "You're a p'lice commissioner. I seen yer picture in the papers. You're Bingham!" The clatter of knives and forks ceases suddenly. Seven pies creep stealthily over the edge of the table and are replaced on as many plates. The visitors laugh. It was a case of mistaken identity.—Century.

## Where Bells Ring Underground.

Near Raleigh, in Nottinghamshire, England, there is a valley said to have been caused by an earthquake several hundreds of years ago, and it is now usual on Christmas morning for old men and women to tell their children and young friends to go to the valley, stoop down and hear the bells ringing merrily in the ruins of the church under the ground.—Tit-Bits.

## THE OLDEST MAN IN AMERICA

Escaped the Terrors of Many Winters By Using Pe-ru-na.



"I Attribute my Extreme Old Age to the Use of Pe-ru-na."

## Mr. Isaac Brock, 118 Years Old Last Birthday.

ISAAC BROCK, a citizen of McLennan county, Texas, has lived for 118 years. For many years he resided at Bosque Falls, eighteen miles west of Waco, but now lives with his son-in-law at Valley Mills, Texas.

Some time ago, by request, Uncle Isaac came to Waco and sat for his picture, holding in his hand a stick cut from the grave of General Andrew Jackson.

Mr. Brock is a dignified old gentleman, showing few signs of decrepitude. His family Bible is still preserved, and it shows that the date of his birth was written 118 years ago.

Born before the United States were formed.  
Saw 22 presidents elected.  
Pe-ru-na has protected him from all sudden changes.  
Veteran of four wars.  
Shed a horse when 99 years old.  
Always conquered the grip with Pe-ru-na.  
Witness in a land suit at the age of 110 years.  
Believes Pe-ru-na the greatest remedy of the age for catarrhal troubles.

Ask your Druggist for a Free Peruna Almanac for 1908.

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## NORTH PENOBSCOT.

Bronchial colds are the general complaint.

Doris Hatch has been quite ill, but is some better.

Gene Gross returned from State grange at Lewiston Thursday.

Rev. Mr. Bryant preached an appropriate Christmas sermon Sunday.

James Perkins and Walton Grindle have been painting the interior of the church.

Some farmers here are disposing of their potatoes at present prices rather than keep them.

Bernice Coombs, of Bucksport, is spending a few days with her parents, George Haynes and wife.

There was a box supper at Grange hall Wednesday evening. The proceeds will go towards repairing the church.

Dec. 22.

## OCEANVILLE.

Mrs. Minnie Hatch, who has been quite ill, is improving.

The "draggers" are getting very good catches and good prices.

Charles Conary and wife, of Sedgwick, have been visiting relatives here.

The clam factories here and at West Stonington have closed for the winter.

School began Dec. 10. Mary Bartlett is teacher the grammar and Sadie Walker, the primary.

Dec. 19.

## Advertisements.

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Because we make medicines for them. We tell them all about Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and they prescribe it for coughs, colds, bronchitis, consumption. They trust it. Then you can afford to trust it. Ask your own doctor.

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## GRANGE NEWS.

## NICOLIN, NORTH ELLSWORTH.

Nicolin grange held its regular meeting Dec. 21, with a large attendance. Visitors were present from Lamoine, East Bluehill, Bayville and Harvest Home granges. Reports of the master, secretary and treasurer and of the different committees were given. After degree work, sandwiches and coffee were served. It was voted that the master-elect make arrangements for the installation of officers. W. M. Hoyt E. Austin and wife were delegates to the State grange.

HARVEST HOME, WEST ELLSWORTH. Harvest home grange passed a most enjoyable evening Dec. 21, with thirty-five in attendance. The first and second degrees were given in a pleasing manner to two candidates. There were visitors from Halcyon, Alamoosook, Arbutus and Skowhegan granges. Roy Trethewey gave two selections on the cornet, with Little Gullitt at the organ. A fine programme of speaking, readings and songs was given. There was singing by the quartette, which responded to an encore. Conundrums followed. The third and fourth degrees will be in order Dec. 23 on three candidates. Officers will be installed Jan. 11 by Clara I. Carter, assisted by Hattie Carter and Martin Giles.

LAMOINE. The regular meeting of Lamoine grange was held Dec. 17. One application was received, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Jesse E. Young, master; Melvin Wilbur, overseer; Sarah Young, lecturer; William K. Salisbury, steward; Earle Smith, assistant steward; Myra Young, chaplain; James T. Grant, treasurer; Flora Stratton, secretary; Lester Young, gatekeeper; Hattie Gilpatrick, Caree; Nellie Stratton, Pomona; Fannie Kittredge, Flora; Elvira Smith, lady assistant steward.

Cake and coffee were served in the dining hall. It was a late hour when the patrons left for their homes.

MARIATVILLE. Mariatville grange met Saturday with a good attendance. The ladies furnished a fine programme, and after the programme supper was served. It being ladies' night, the men had nothing to do but enjoy themselves, which they seemed to do thoroughly. The ladies are anxiously waiting until the gentlemen furnish the entertainment. There were visitors from many granges.

ALAMOOSOOK, EAST ORLAND. Alamoosook grange held its regular meeting Saturday evening, Dec. 21, with a large attendance. The third and fourth degrees were conferred, the fourth being conferred by the Halcyon grange degree team in a very pleasing manner.

Supper was served to about 100 patrons. After recess, a fine programme was presented by the lecturer. Visitors were

IN speaking of his good health and extreme old age, Mr. Brock says: "After a man has lived in the world as long as I have, he ought to have found out a great many things by experience. I think I have done so."

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In a later letter, Mr. Brock writes: "I am well and feeling as well as I have for years. I would not be without Peruna."

Yours truly,  
Isaac Brock.

A letter dated July 8, 1906, written for Mr. Brock by his wife, Sarah J. Brock, states:

"Last winter I had just gotten up out of a spell of sickness, when I commenced taking Peruna. I think it improved my health very much."

In a postscript, Mrs. Brock adds: "He receives a great many letters inquiring about what Peruna will do. I do not answer them all, as I think they can get a bottle and try it."

present from Halcyon, Penobscot, Castine, Highland, Narramissic and Harvest Home granges.

EAST BLUEHILL. East Bluehill grange held an interesting meeting Saturday evening, Dec. 21. After the usual business, a part of the evening was spent in practicing the drill by the new degree team. The excellent report of the State grange made by the master was both interesting and instructive, and was much appreciated by all. There will be work in the first and second degrees at the next meeting.

BAYVIEW, SALISBURY COVE. There was a large attendance at Bayview grange Wednesday evening, when the first degree was conferred upon two candidates. After the degree work, a short but interesting programme was listened to, consisting of readings and comic songs by the brothers. A special meeting is called for Thursday evening, Dec. 26, when the second and third degrees will be conferred.

NORTH LAMOINE. Miss Ulah Marshall, who has spent a few weeks at her home in Trenton, is back with her sister, Mrs. L. N. Salisbury, Jr.

Walter Young and E. E. Higgins, who have been pressing hay at Southwest Harbor, returned home Friday.

Mrs. Sarah Staples, who went to Portland to spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. Thompson, has returned in poor health.

Dec. 23.

Advertisements.

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G. A. Farcher Asks Catarrh Sufferers to Try Hyomel on His Guarantee.

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After recess, a fine programme was presented by the lecturer. Visitors were